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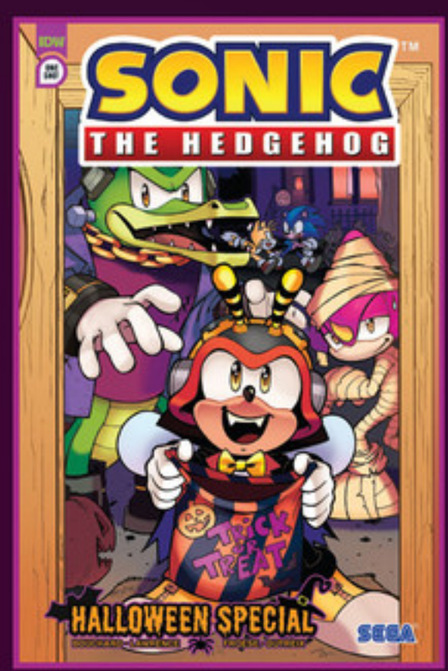

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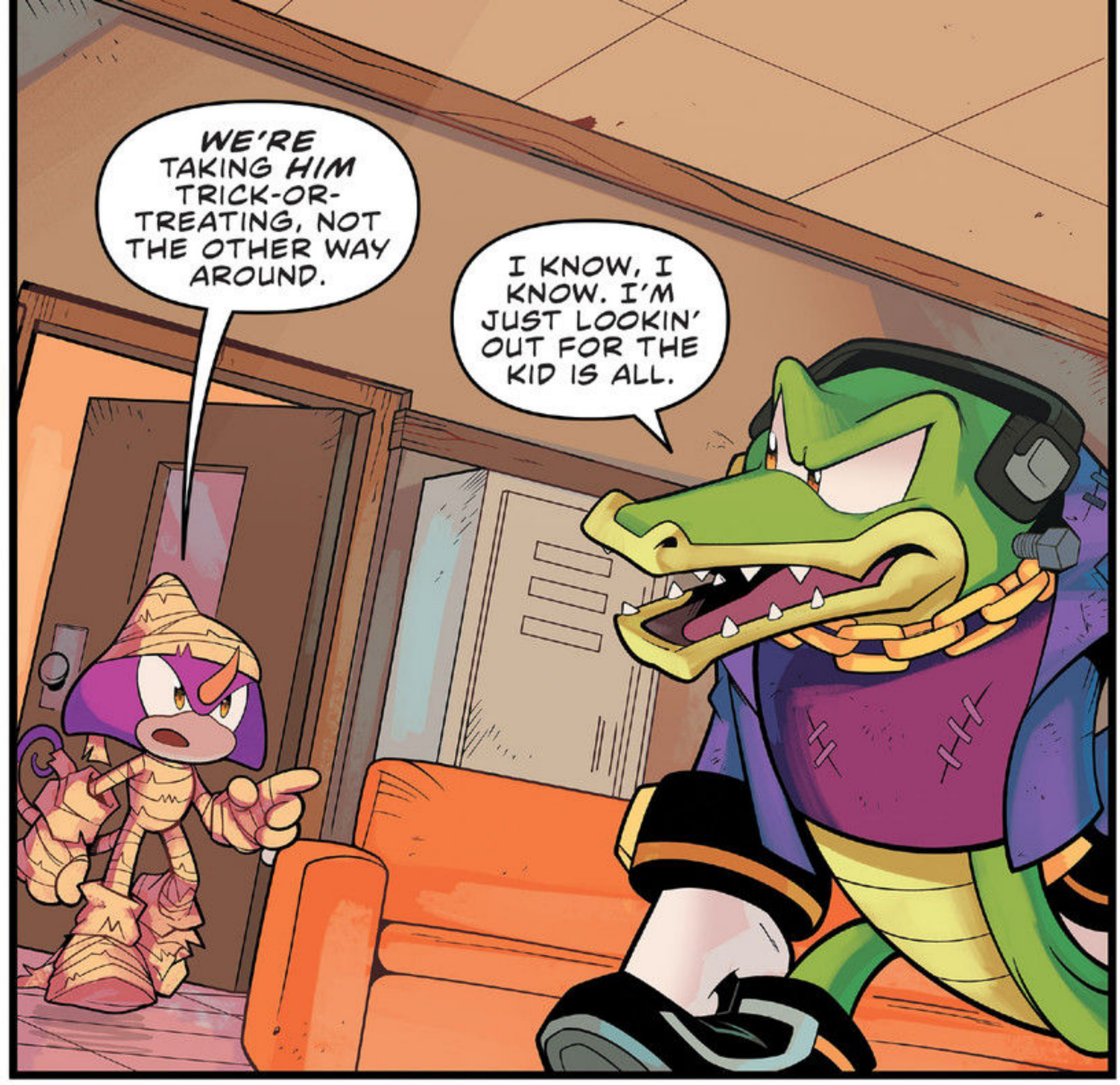
C'MON, LET'S GET A MOVE ON, CHARMY! IF WE DON'T HURRY UP, ALL THE FULL-SIZED BARS WILL BE GONE!


WE'RE TAKING HIM TRICK-OR-TREATING, NOT THE OTHER WAY AROUND.
I KNOW, I KNOW. I'M JUST LOOKIN' OUT FOR THE KID IS ALL.

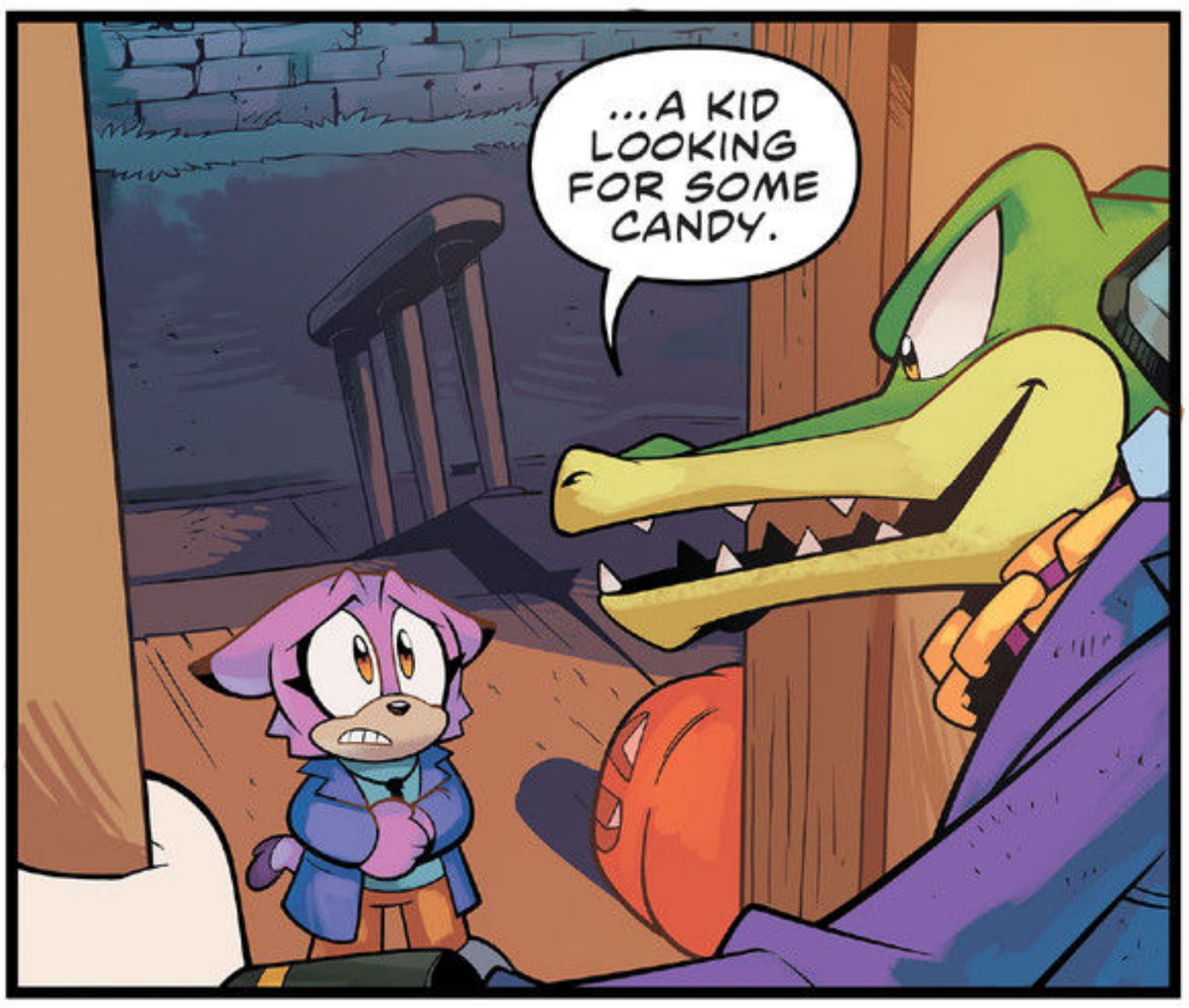
BUT WE GET, LIKE... A COMMISSION, RIGHT?

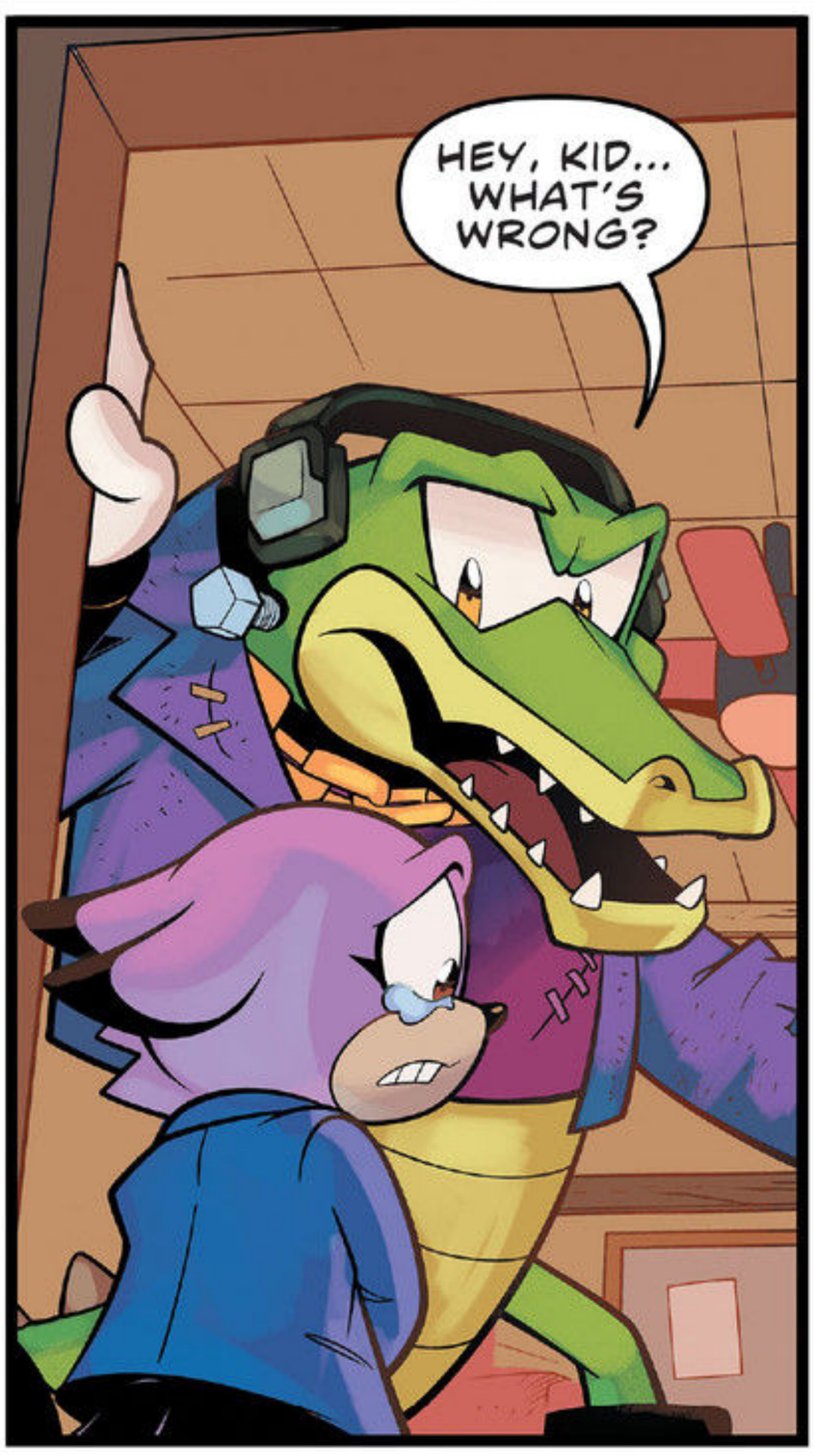
I'M KIDDING, I'M KIDDING!

SO, WHAT DO YOU GUYS THINK? I'M A VAMPIRE!
IS IT SO WRONG FOR A GUY TO EXPECT HIS PALMS GET GREASED WITH A BIT O' NOUGAT? IT IS HALLOWEEN AFTER ALL.

KNOCK KNOCK

A KNOCK AT THE DOOR!
COULD IT BE A CASE?!
AT THIS TIME? ON HALLOWEEN NIGHT? IT'S PROBABLY...





SOON.

YOU WERE SAYING YOUR CANDY WAS STOLEN.

ON HALLOWEEN OF ALL NIGHTS!

YEAH...

CAN YOU TELL US EXACTLY HOW IT WENT DOWN?

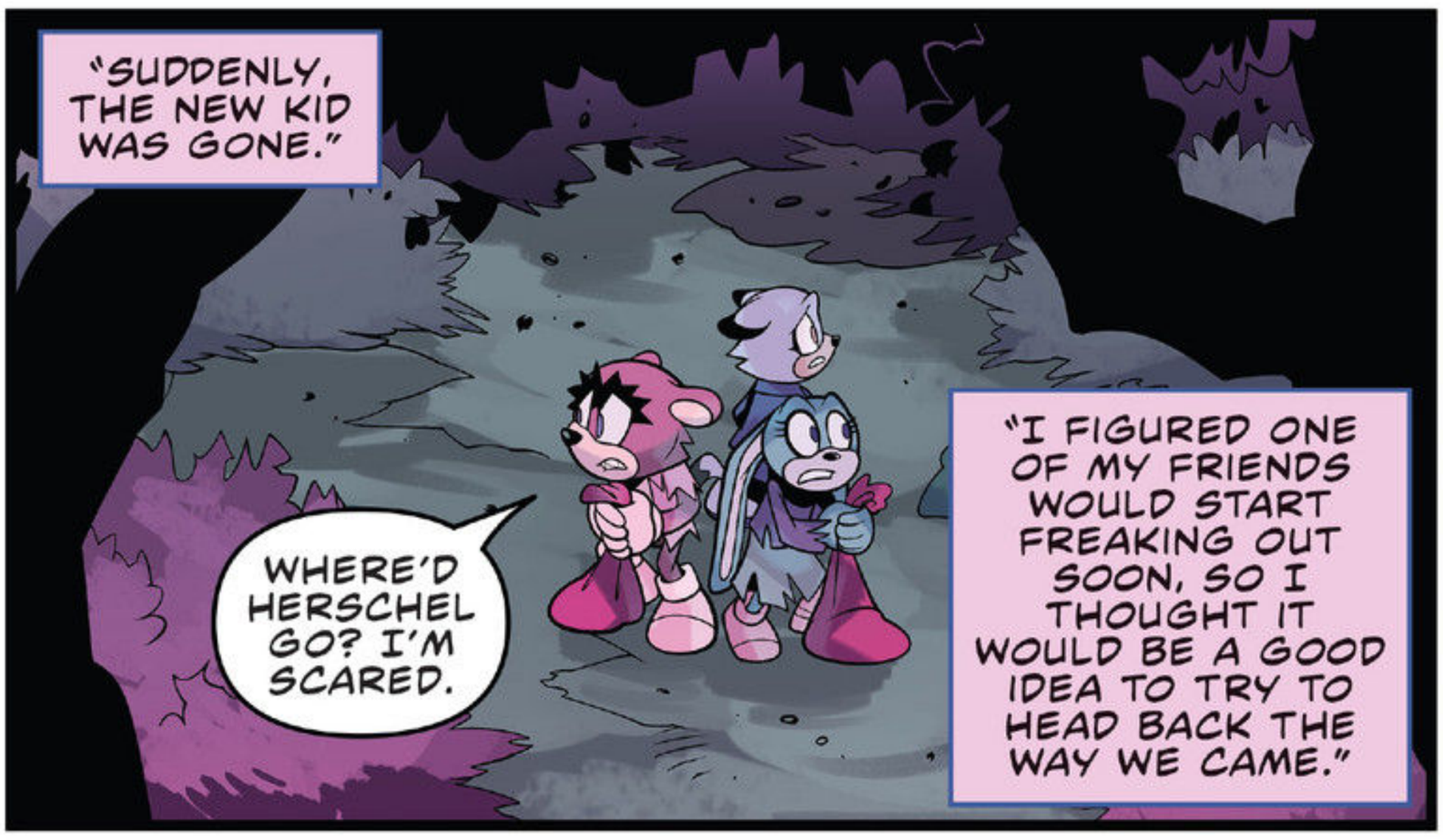
OKAY...SO MY FRIENDS AND I WERE WALKING ON THE EDGE OF THE FOREST.

"WE DIDN'T WANT TO GO *INTO* THE FOREST, BECAUSE WE WERE SCARED OF GETTING LOST.

"BUT THEN THIS KID SHOWED UP..."

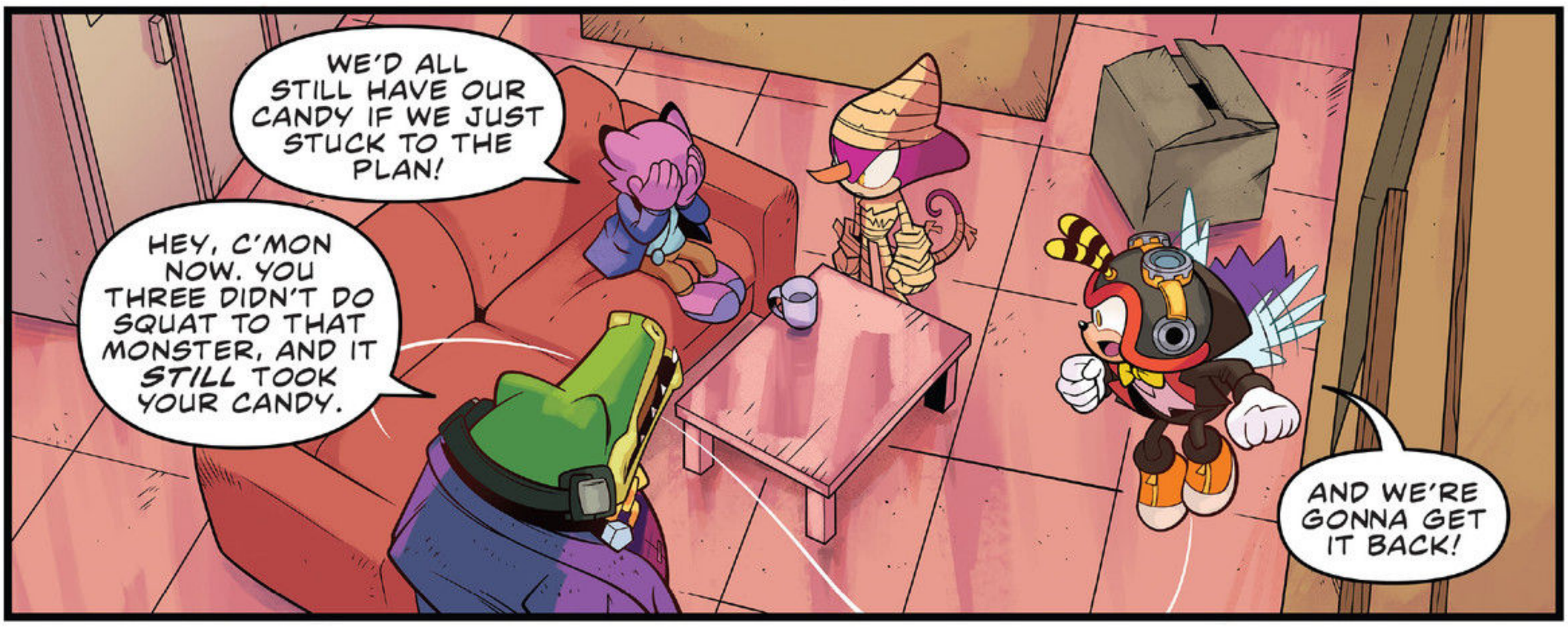
HI...I'M *HERSCHEL.*

"...WHO SAID HE KNEW A SHORTCUT THAT'LL GET US TO THE HOUSES THAT GIVE OUT FULL-SIZED BARS."



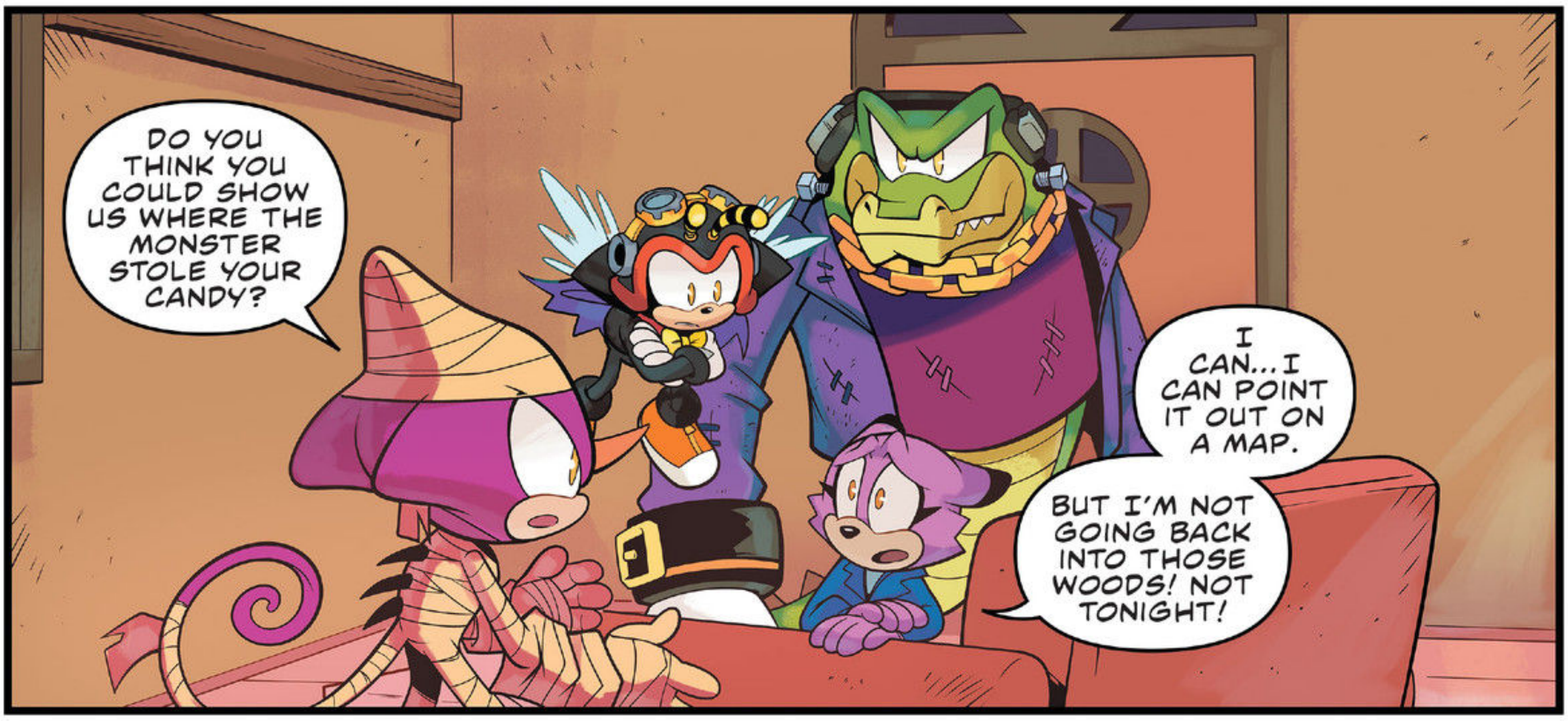
GRAAAH!

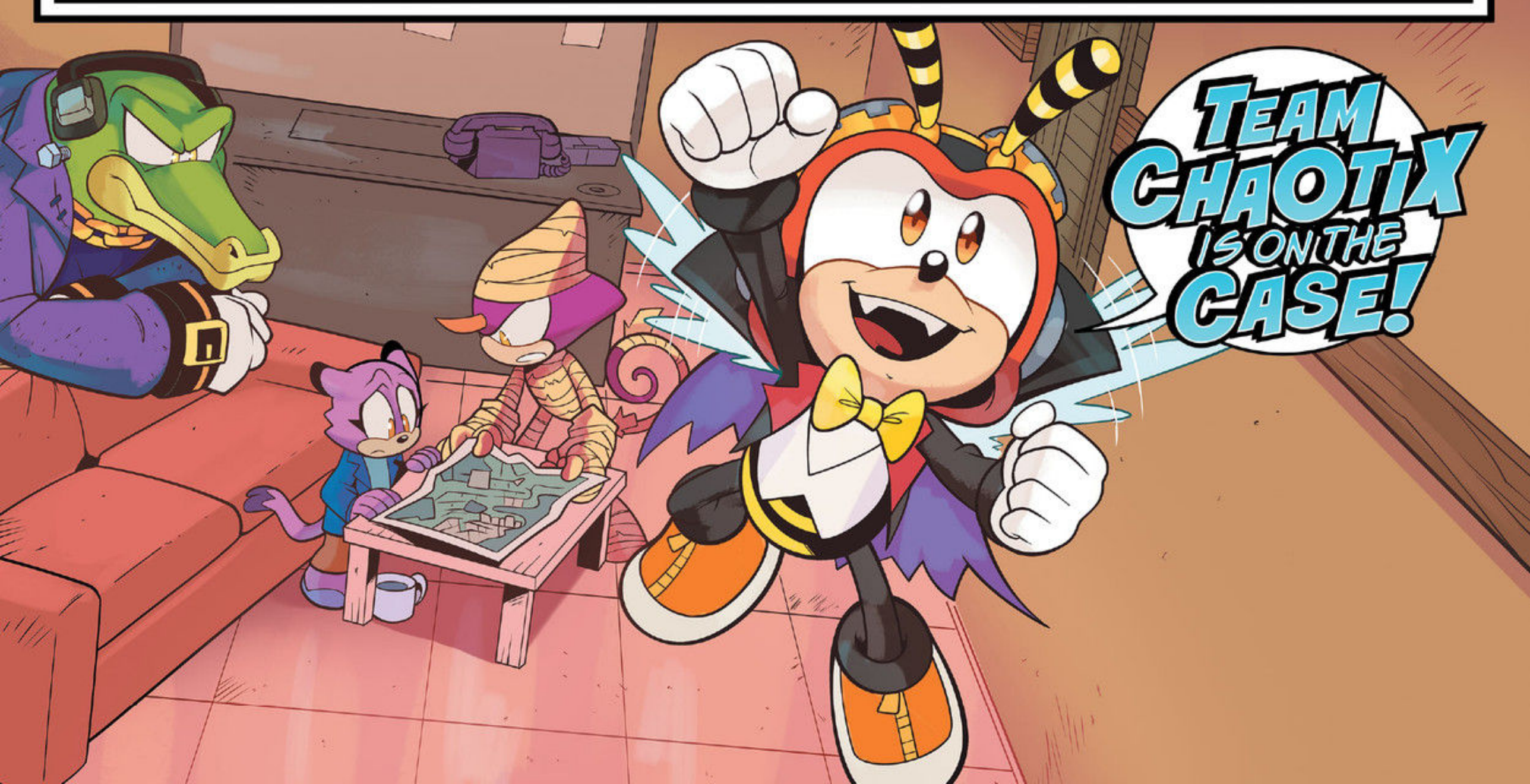
"...THE MONSTER JUMPED OUT OF THE WOODS AND TOOK OUR CANDY!"

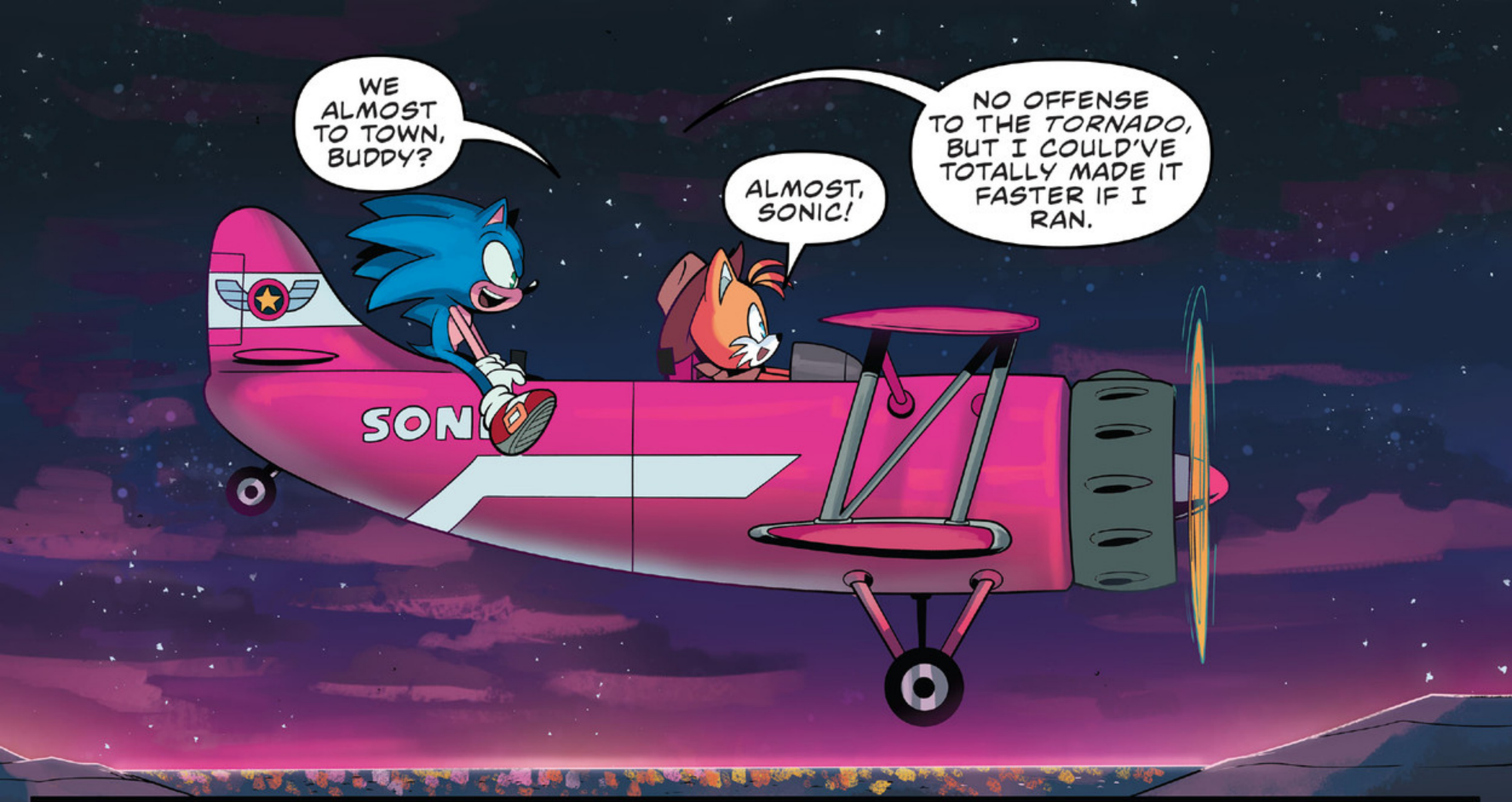


BUT WHAT ABOUT TRICK-OR-TREATING?
WE'RE THE CHAOTIX DETECTIVE AGENCY! NO CASE IS TOO BIG OR TOO SMALL!
WE'VE GOTTA HELP HER!

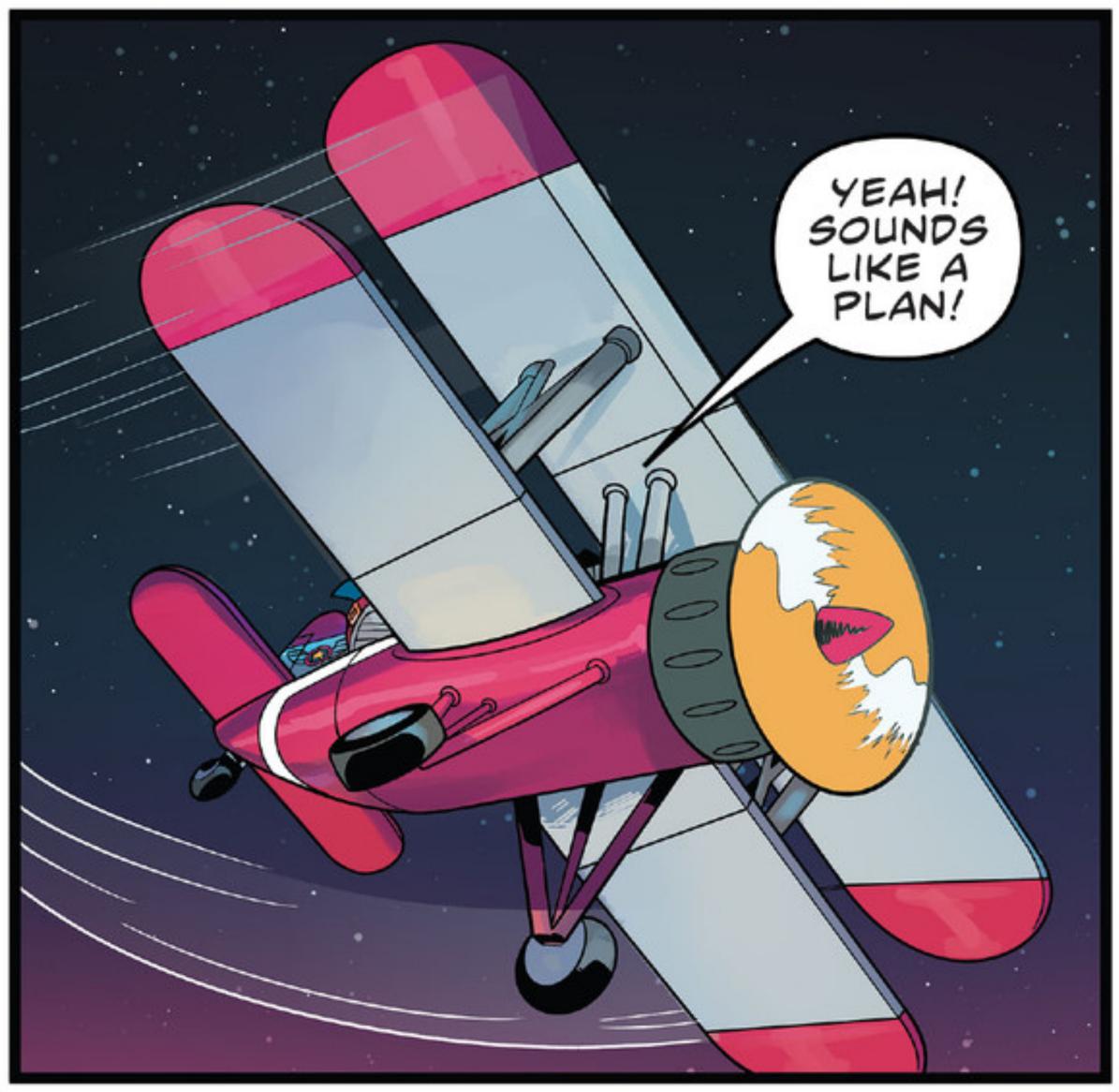
WHATEVER YOU SAY, CHARMY!
TONIGHT'S YOUR NIGHT. YOU'RE THE BOSS!

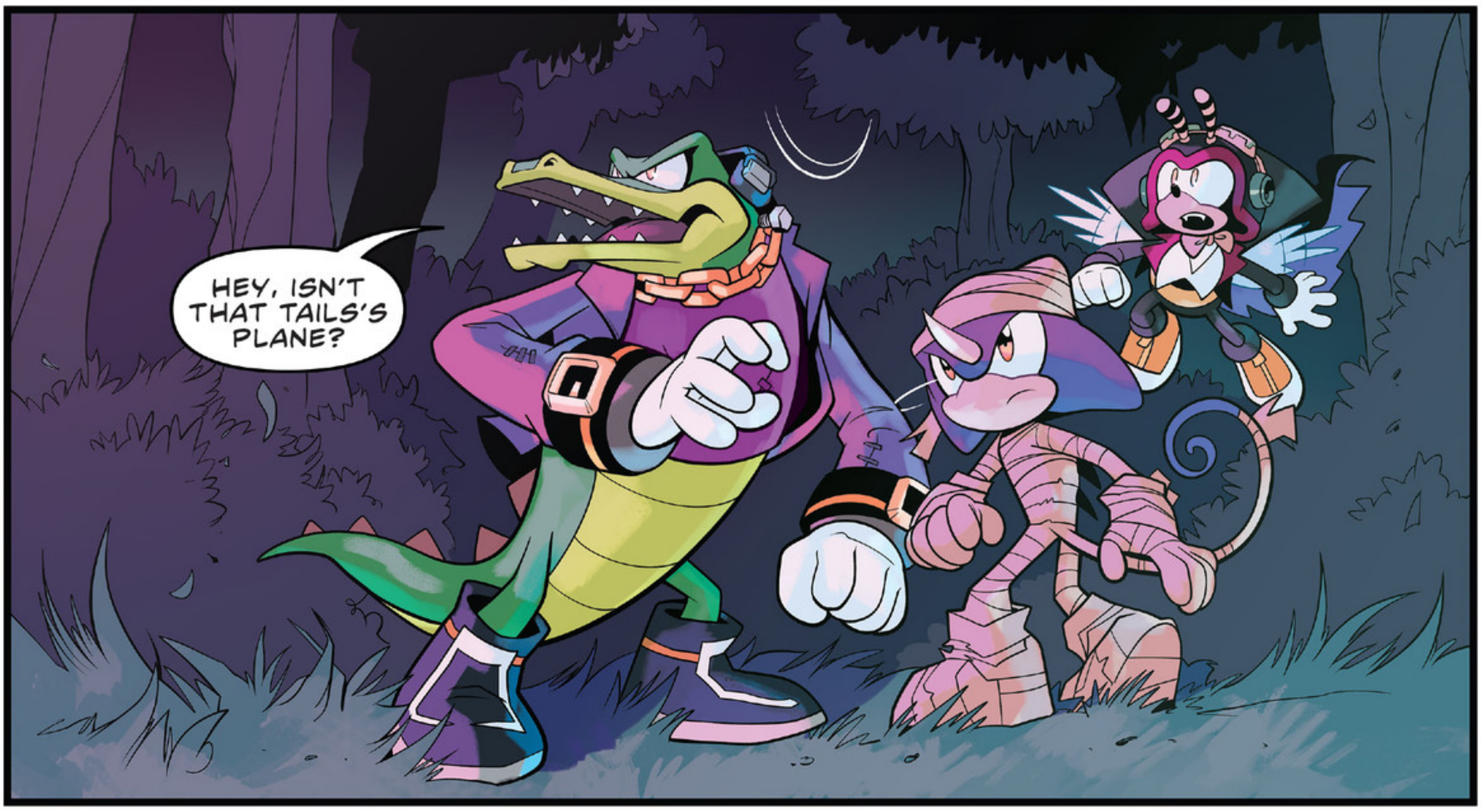

DO YOU THINK YOU COULD SHOW US WHERE THE MONSTER STOLE YOUR CANDY?
I CAN... I CAN POINT IT OUT ON A MAP.
BUT I'M NOT GOING BACK INTO THOSE WOODS! NOT TONIGHT!

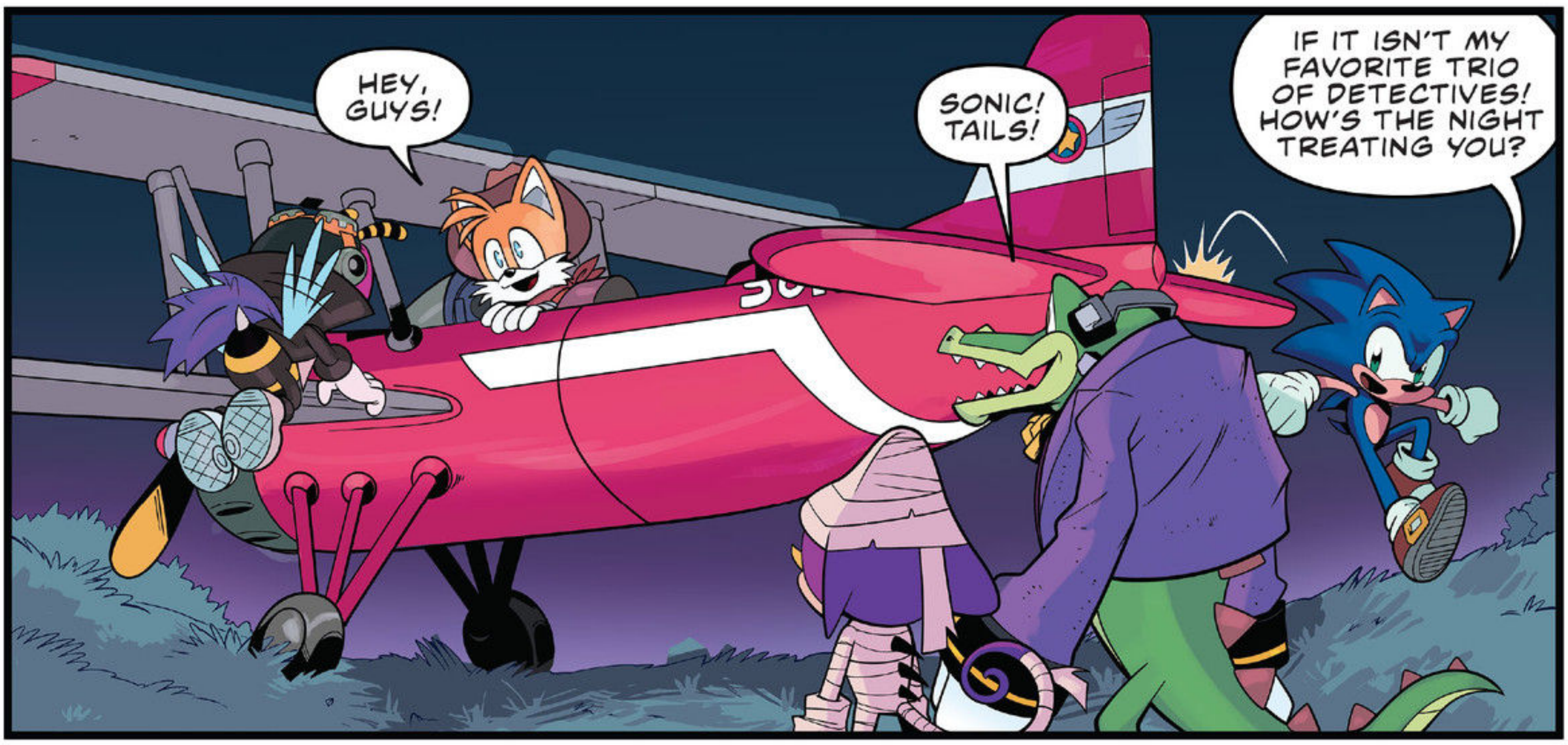

TEAM CHAOTIX IS ON THE CASE!


WE ALMOST TO TOWN, BUDDY?
ALMOST, SONIC!
NO OFFENSE TO THE TORNADO, BUT I COULD'VE TOTALLY MADE IT FASTER IF I RAN.
SONI

HEY! IT'S ESPIO, CHARMY, AND VECTOR!
WANNA TAKE HER IN FOR A LANDING?
MAYBE THEY'LL WANT TO COME TRICK-OR-TREATING WITH US!

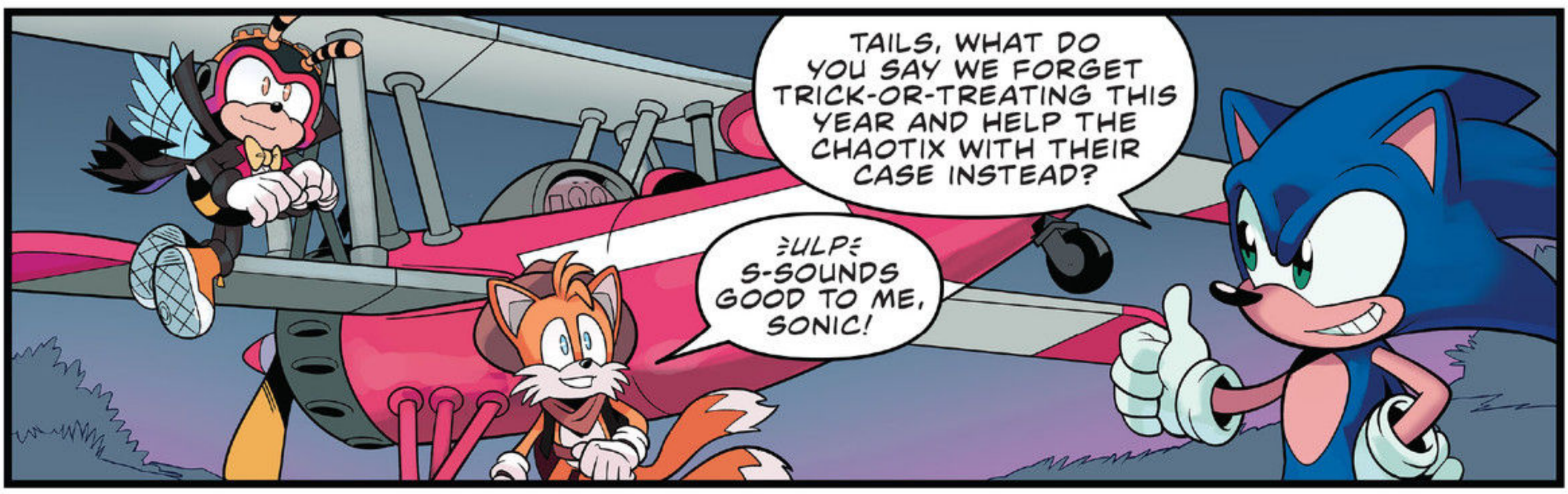

YEAH! SOUNDS LIKE A PLAN!


HEY, ISN'T THAT TAILS'S PLANE?

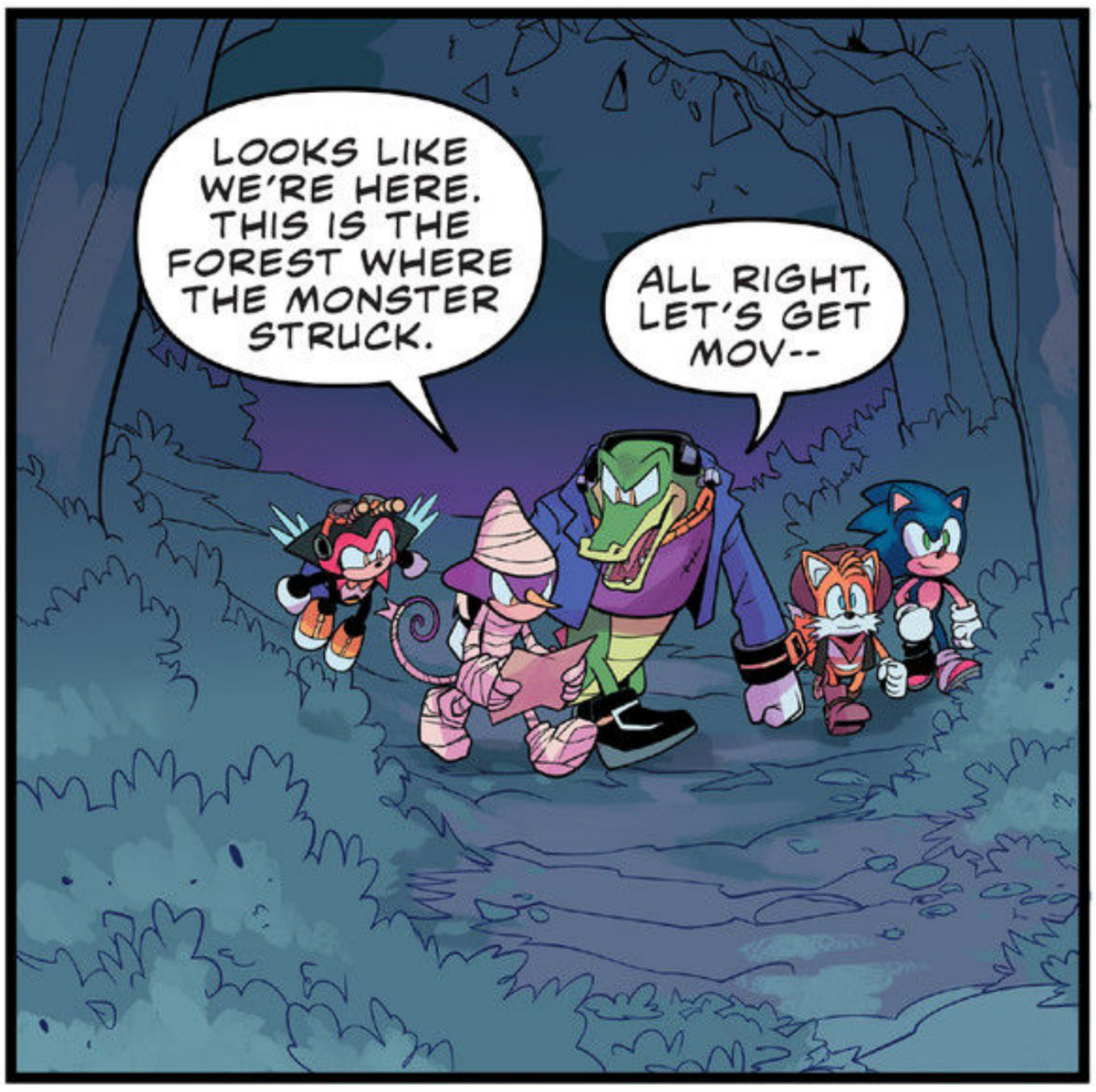

HEY, GUYS!
SONIC! TAILS!
IF IT ISN'T MY FAVORITE TRIO OF DETECTIVES! HOW'S THE NIGHT TREATING YOU?

GREAT! WE'RE ON A CASE!
A CASE? ON HALLOWEEN?

YEAH! WE'RE HELPING A BUNCH OF KIDS GET THEIR CANDY BACK! A MONSTER STOLE IT!
WHOA, A MONSTER?

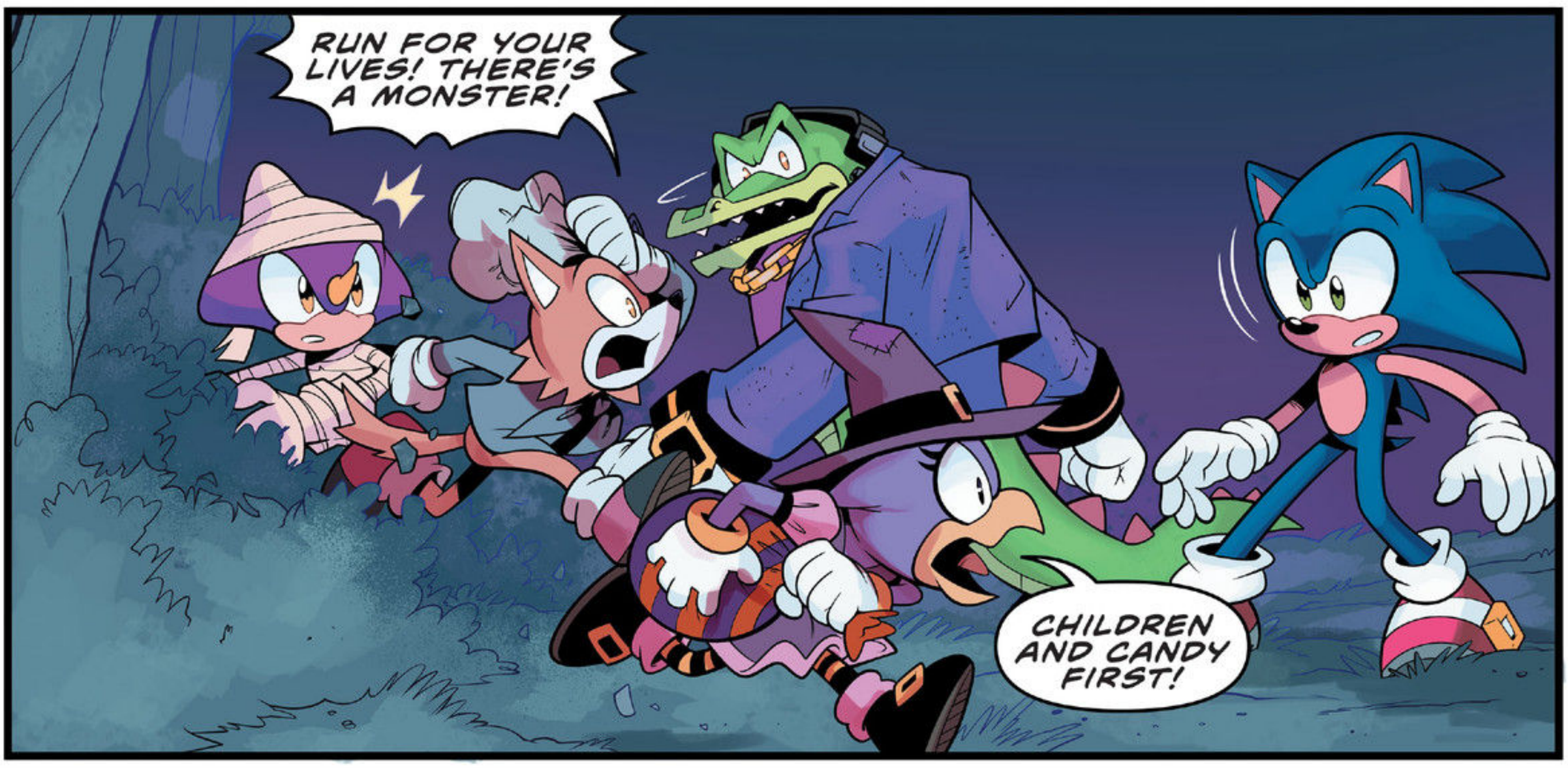

TAILS, WHAT DO YOU SAY WE FORGET TRICK-OR-TREATING THIS YEAR AND HELP THE CHAOTIX WITH THEIR CASE INSTEAD?
ULP S-SOUNDS GOOD TO ME, SONIC!

THAT IS, IF THEY'D HAVE US.
SURE! THE MORE THE MERRIER, RIGHT?

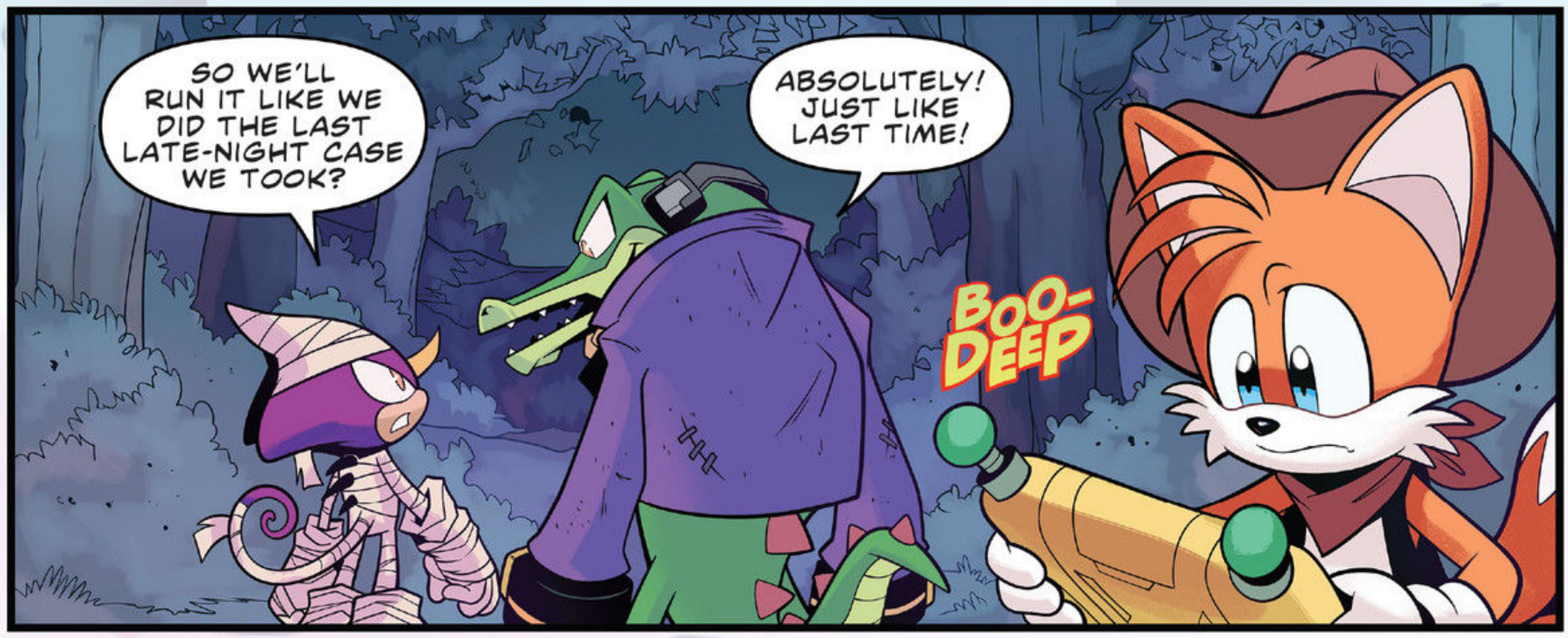

LOOKS LIKE WE'RE HERE. THIS IS THE FOREST WHERE THE MONSTER STRUCK.
ALL RIGHT, LET'S GET MOV--

AAA UGH!

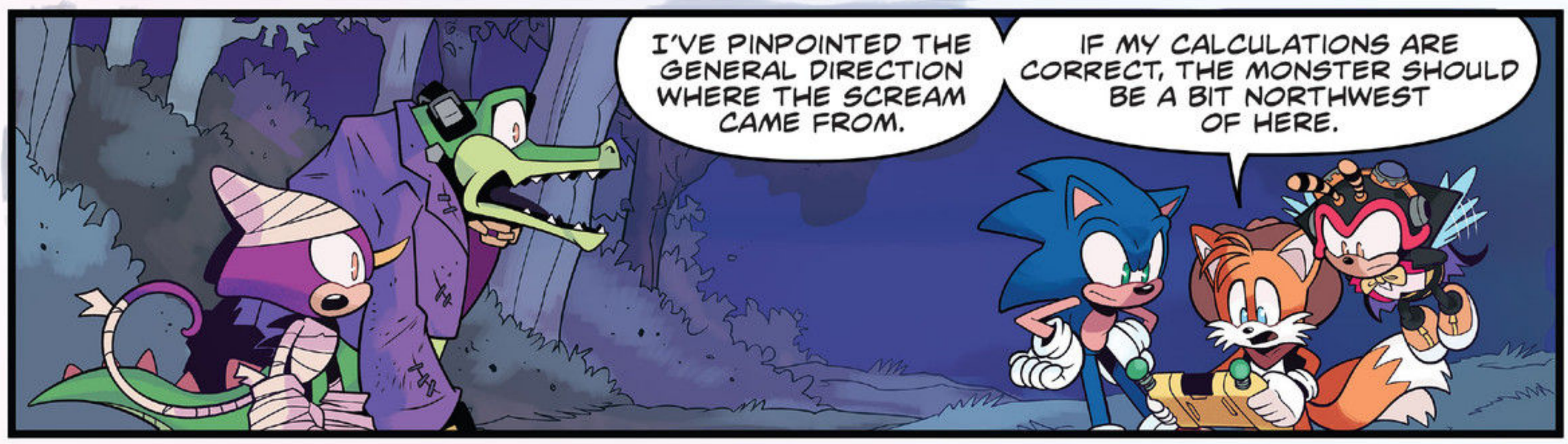
KCCH KCCH


RUN FOR YOUR LIVES! THERE'S A MONSTER!
CHILDREN AND CANDY FIRST!

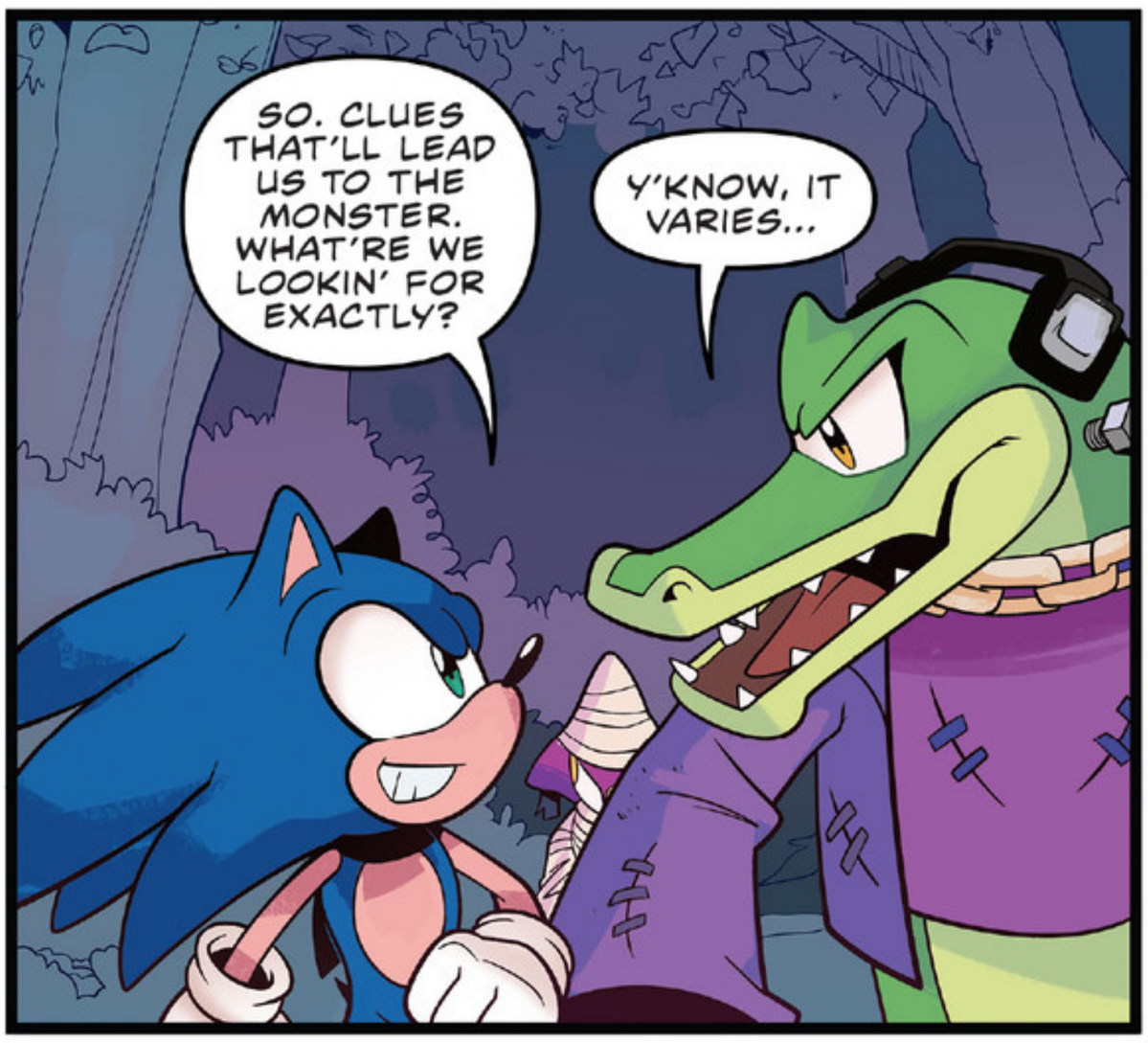
ULP. Y-YOU READY TO GET THIS MONSTER?
T-TOTALLY.


SO WE'LL RUN IT LIKE WE DID THE LAST LATE-NIGHT CASE WE TOOK?
ABSOLUTELY! JUST LIKE LAST TIME!
BOO-DEEP

ALL RIGHT, GUYS, HERE'S THE SKINNY. WE'RE GO--

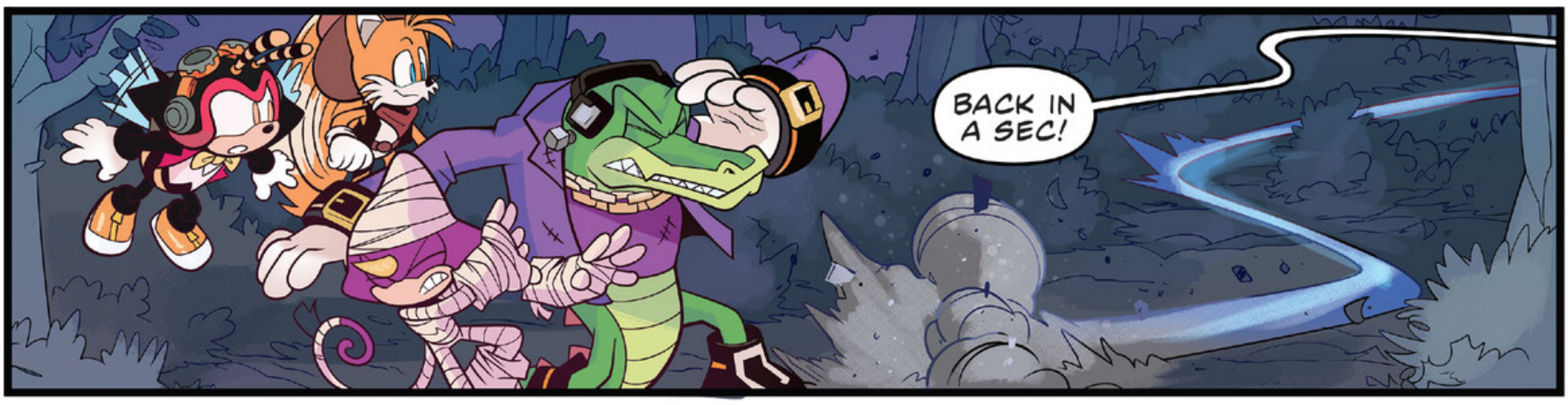

I'VE PINPOINTED THE GENERAL DIRECTION WHERE THE SCREAM CAME FROM.
IF MY CALCULATIONS ARE CORRECT, THE MONSTER SHOULD BE A BIT NORTHWEST OF HERE.

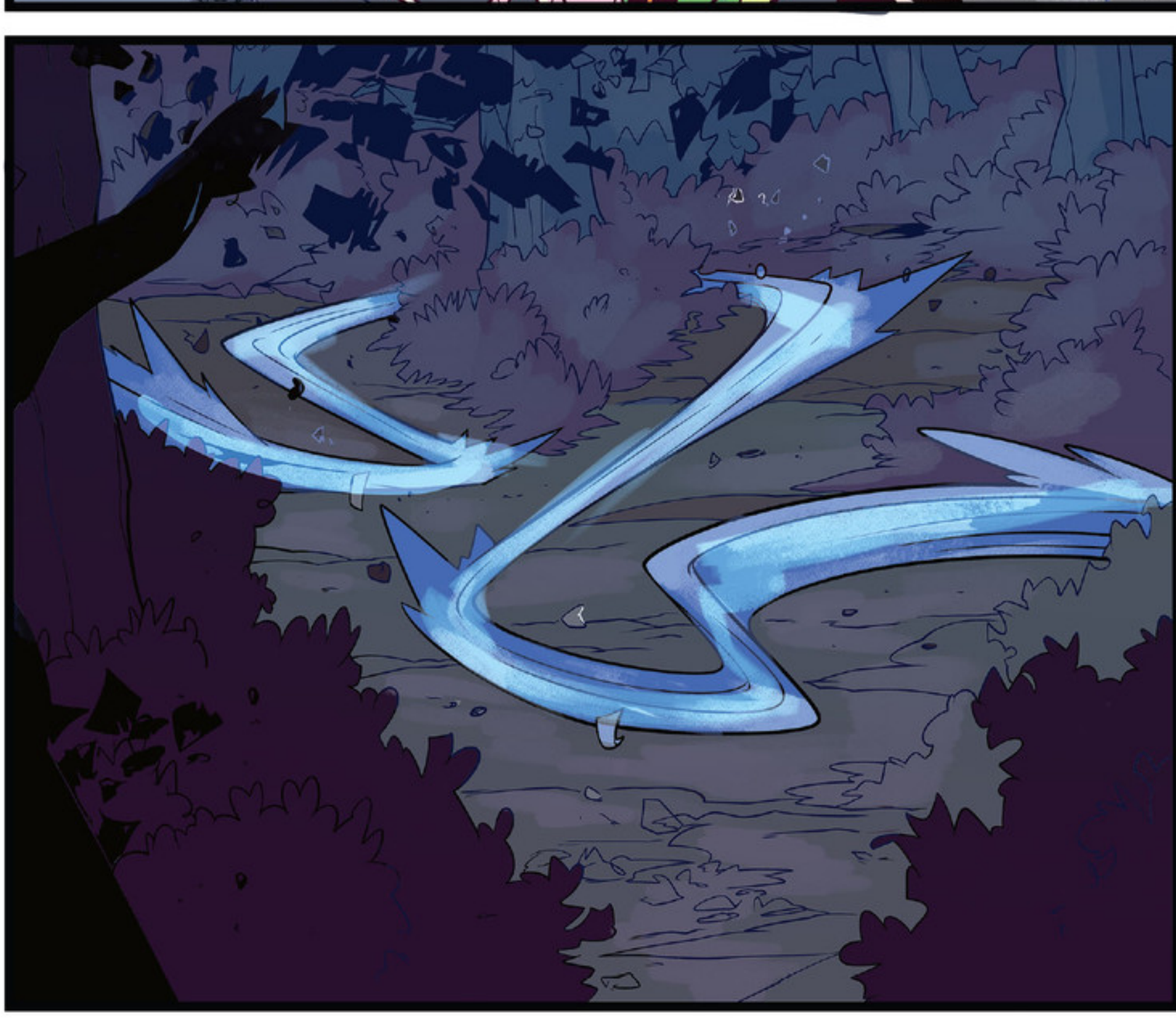
THEN THAT'S THE WAY WE'RE HEADING!


SO. CLUES THAT'LL LEAD US TO THE MONSTER. WHAT'RE WE LOOKIN' FOR EXACTLY?
Y'KNOW, IT VARIES...

COULD BE FOOTPRINTS, OR SINCE WE'RE DEALING WITH A MONSTER, MAYBE A TOOTH OR SOME FUR. ANYTHING, REALLY.
YOU'LL KNOW IT WHEN YOU SEE IT.

THIS FEELS LIKE A TIME-IS-OF-THE-ESSENCE THING...
...WANT ME TO JET ON AHEAD? I CAN COMB THE FOREST *REAL* QUICK.
SOUNDS GOOD. SEE WHAT YOU CAN FIND.

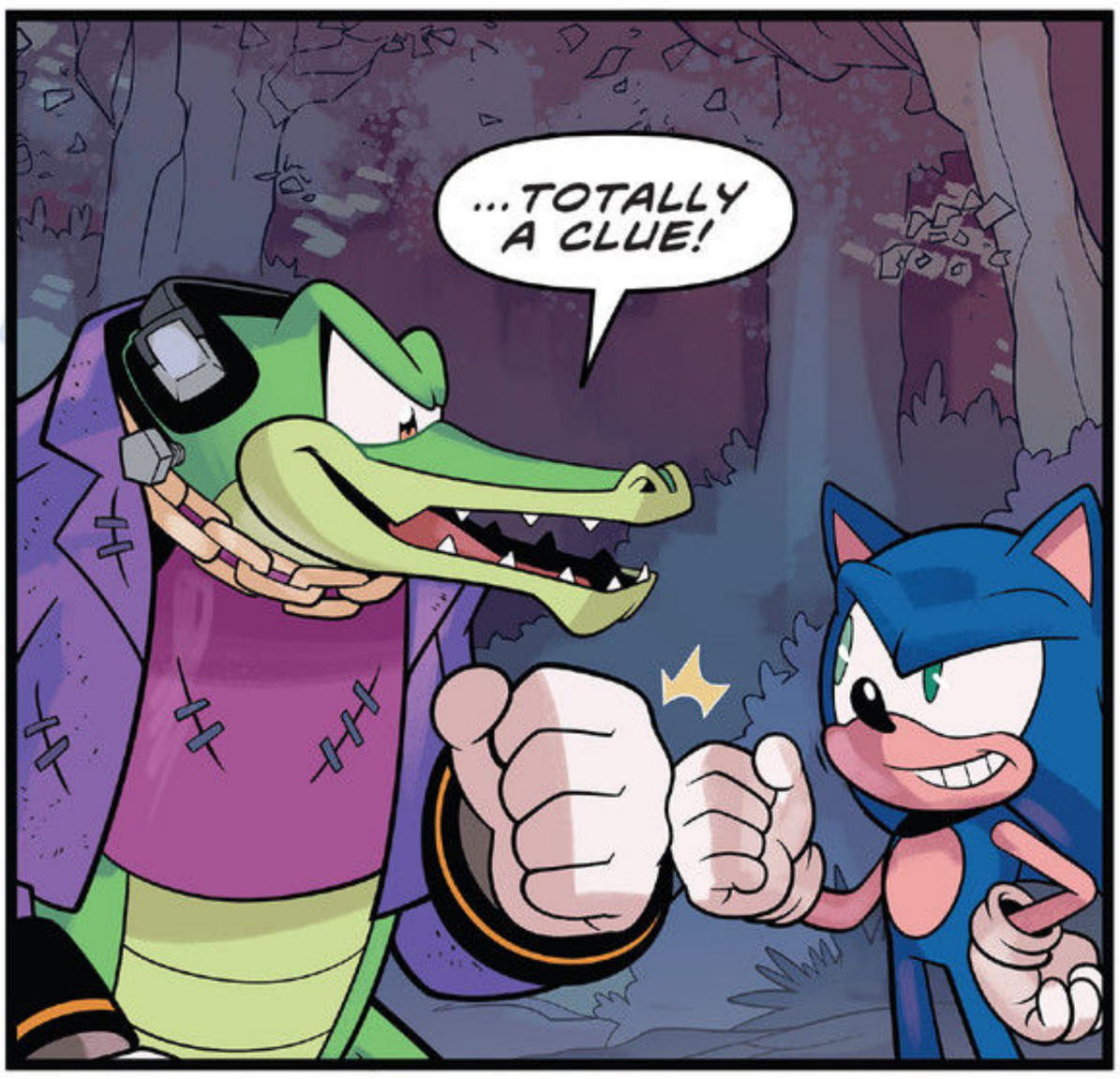

BACK IN A SEC!

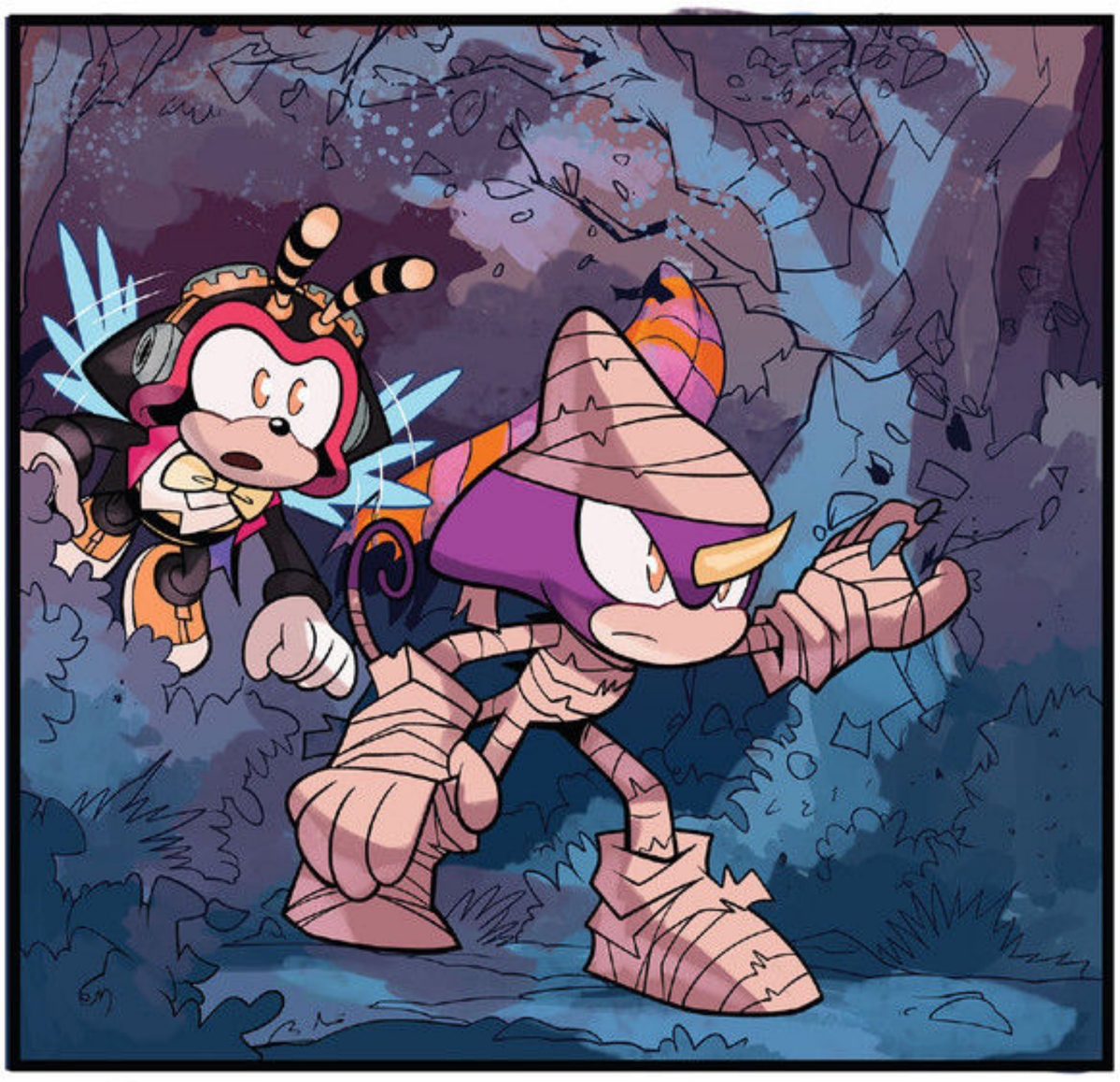


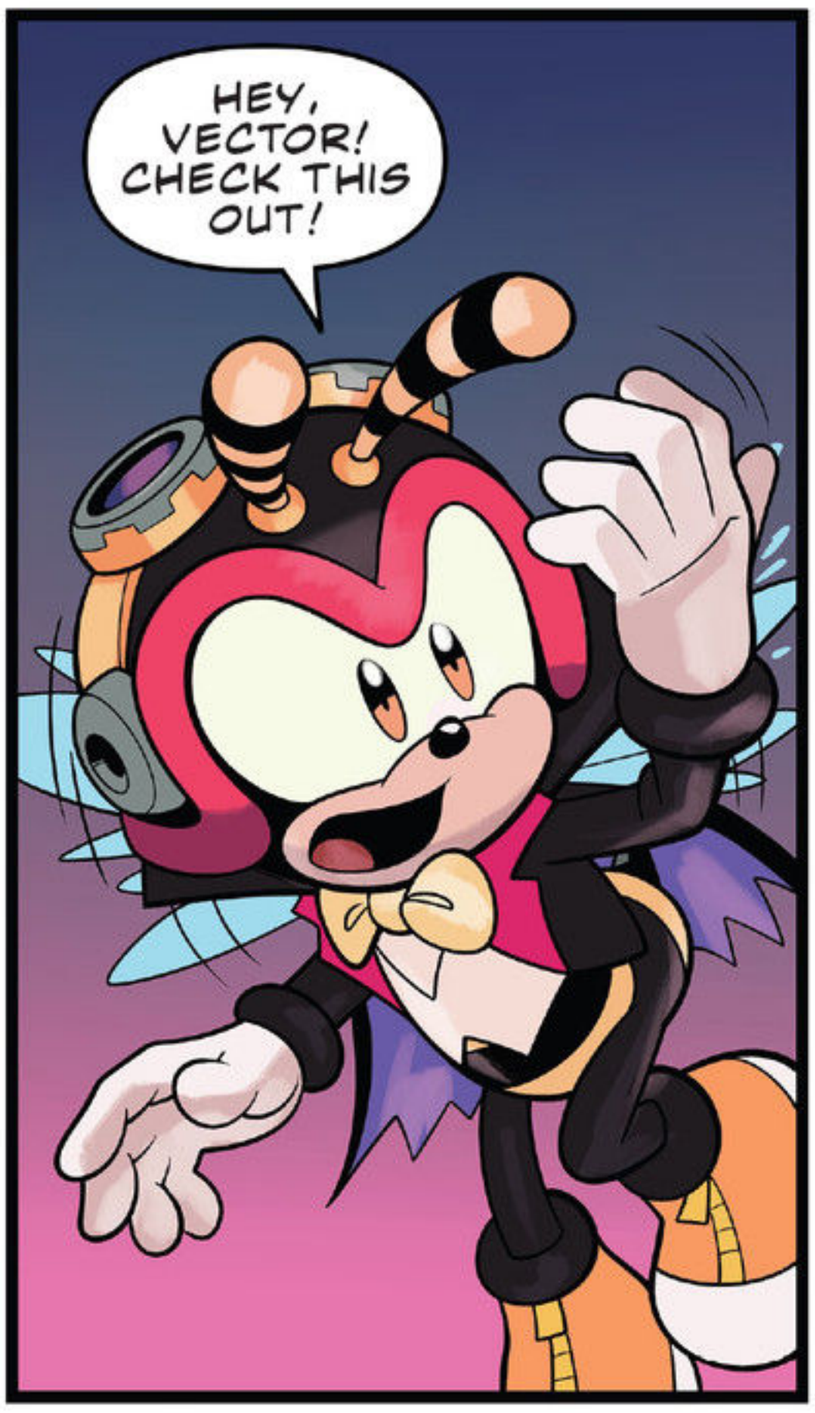
THAT'S A CLUE IF I'VE EVER SEEN ONE.

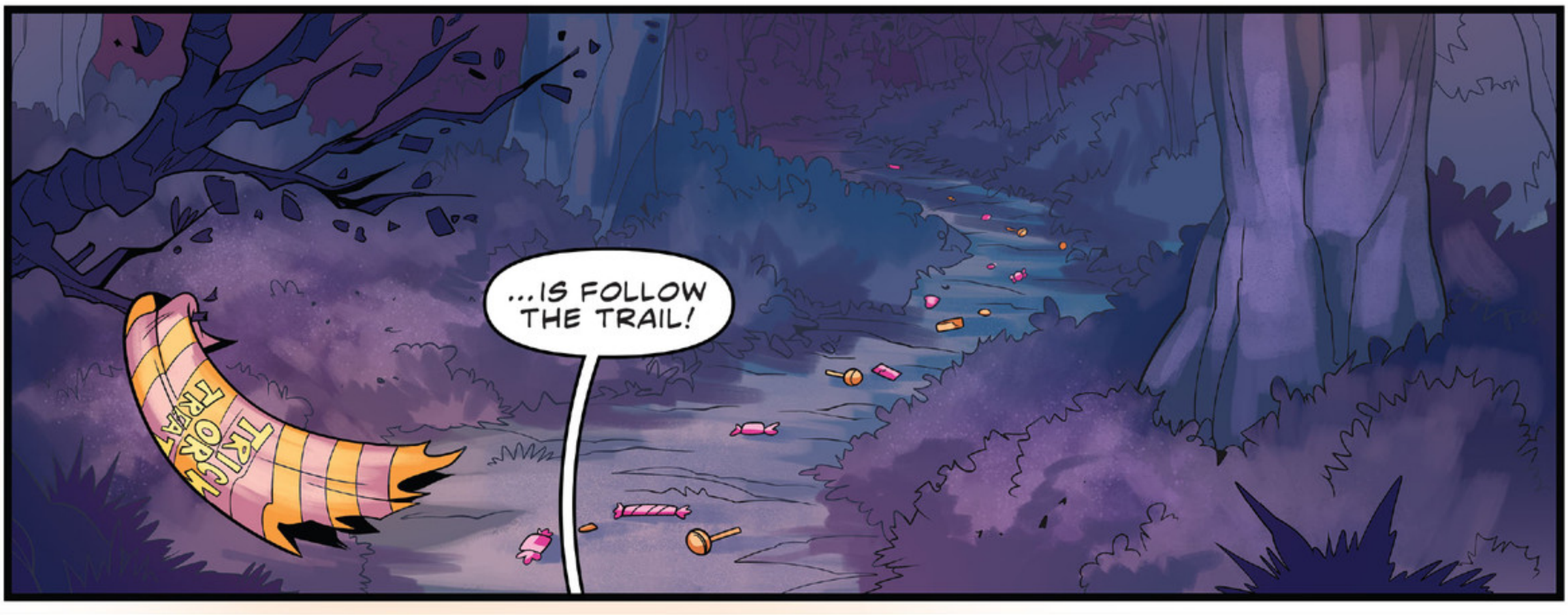
SO... WHAT DO YOU THINK?

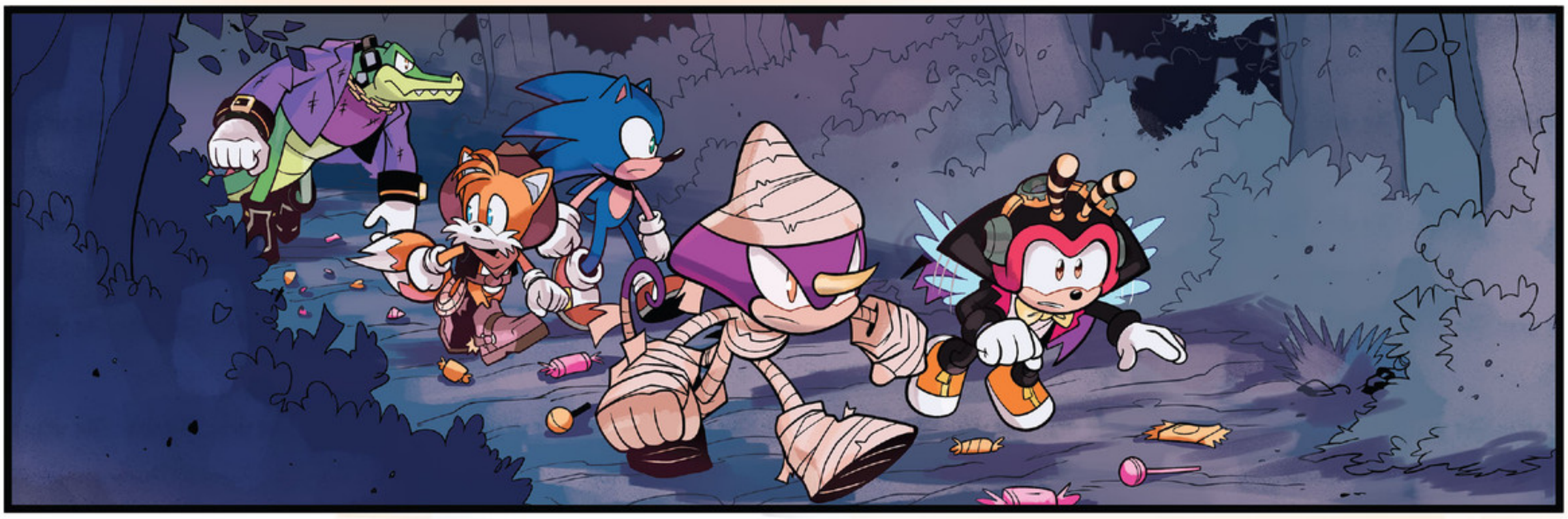
THAT RIGHT THERE...

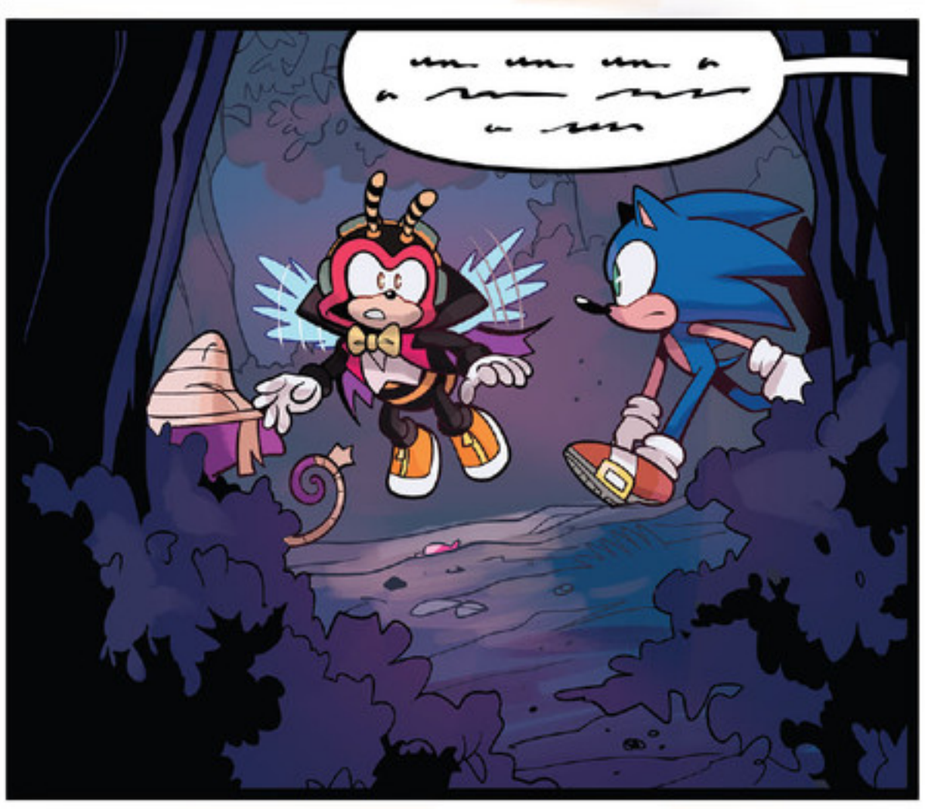







...IS FOLLOW THE TRAIL!
TRICK OR TREAT

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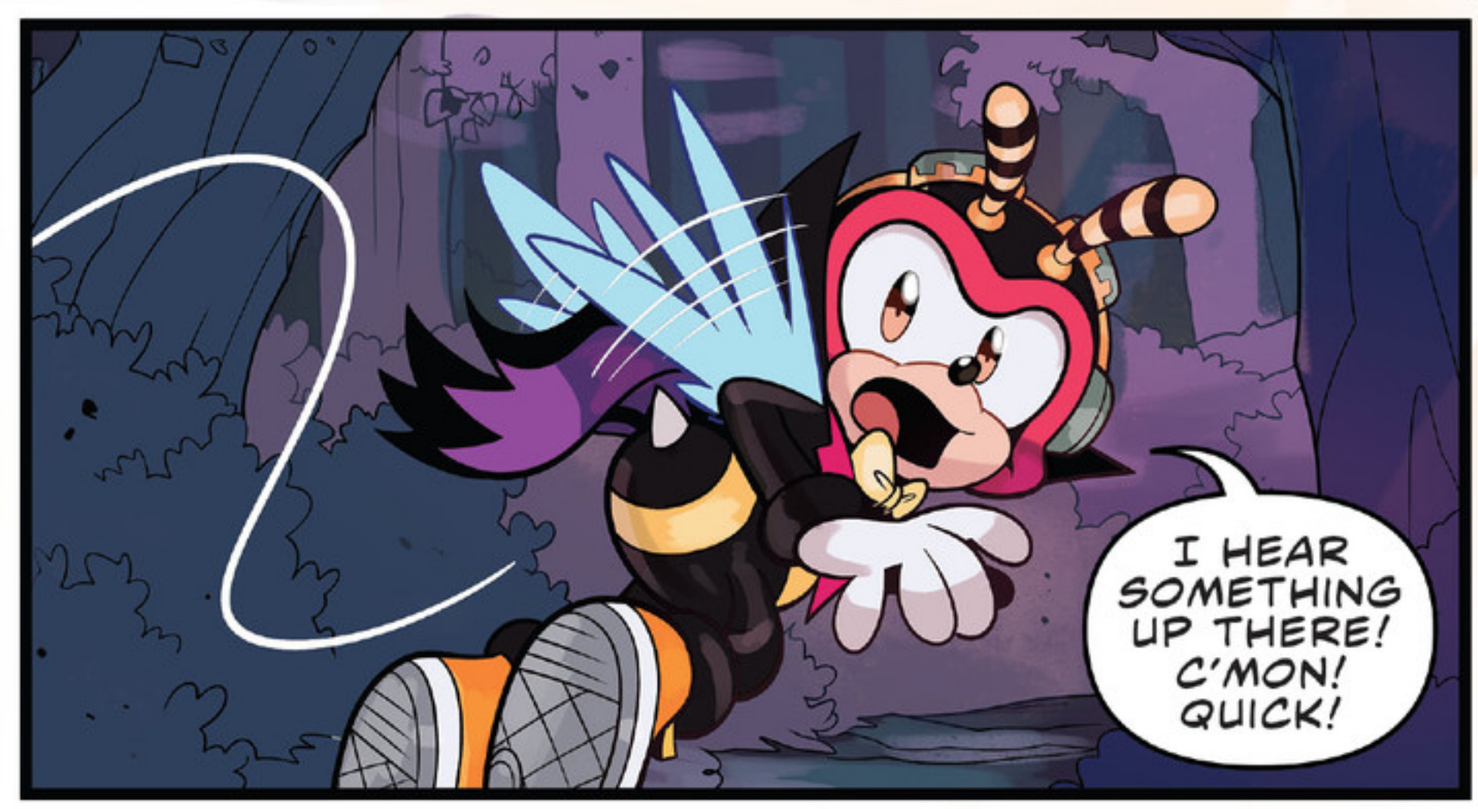
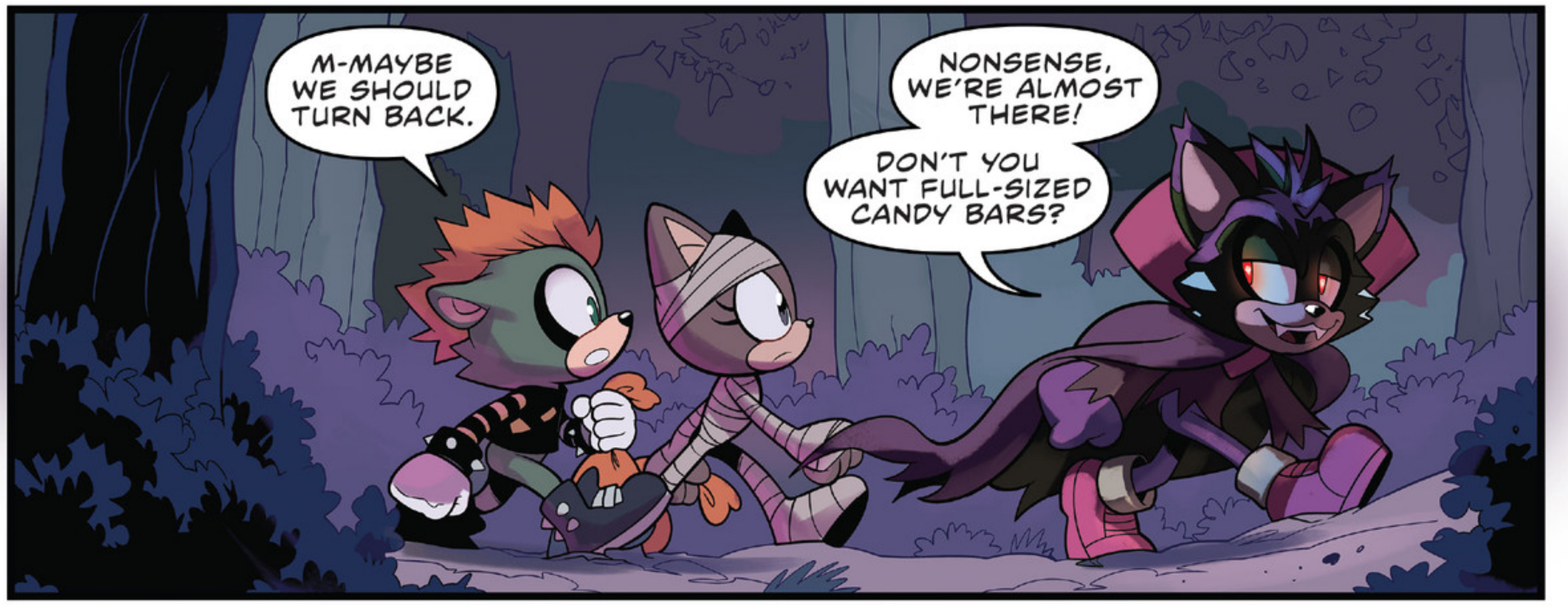
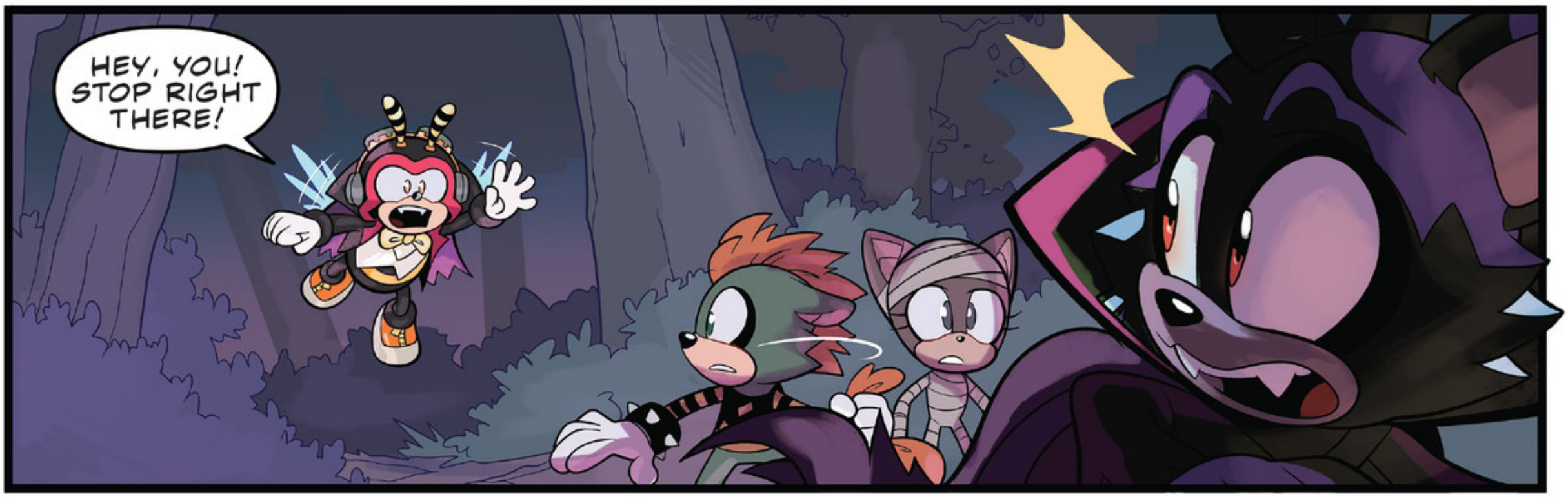

I HEAR SOMETHING UP THERE! C'MON! QUICK!

HOLD UP, WAIT FOR ME!

ARE YOU SURE THIS IS THE RIGHT WAY?
GUYS, UP AHEAD!

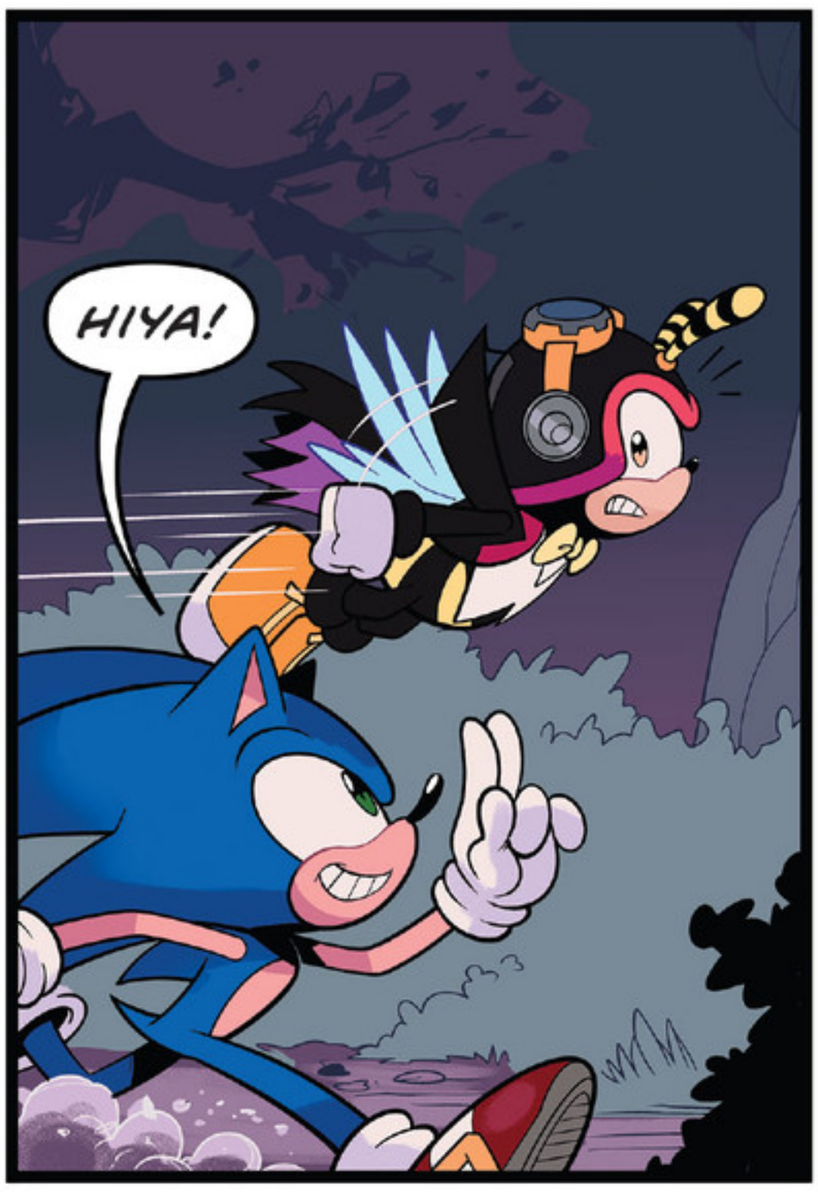

M-MAYBE WE SHOULD TURN BACK.
NONSENSE, WE'RE ALMOST THERE!
DON'T YOU WANT FULL-SIZED CANDY BARS?


HEY, YOU! STOP RIGHT THERE!

TCH! TIME TO CHEESE IT!

IT'S OKAY! YOU'RE SAFE NOW.
YEAH, STICK WITH US, AND YOU'LL STAY THAT WAY!

WE'LL CATCH UP!


HIYA!

ALL RIGHT, KID...

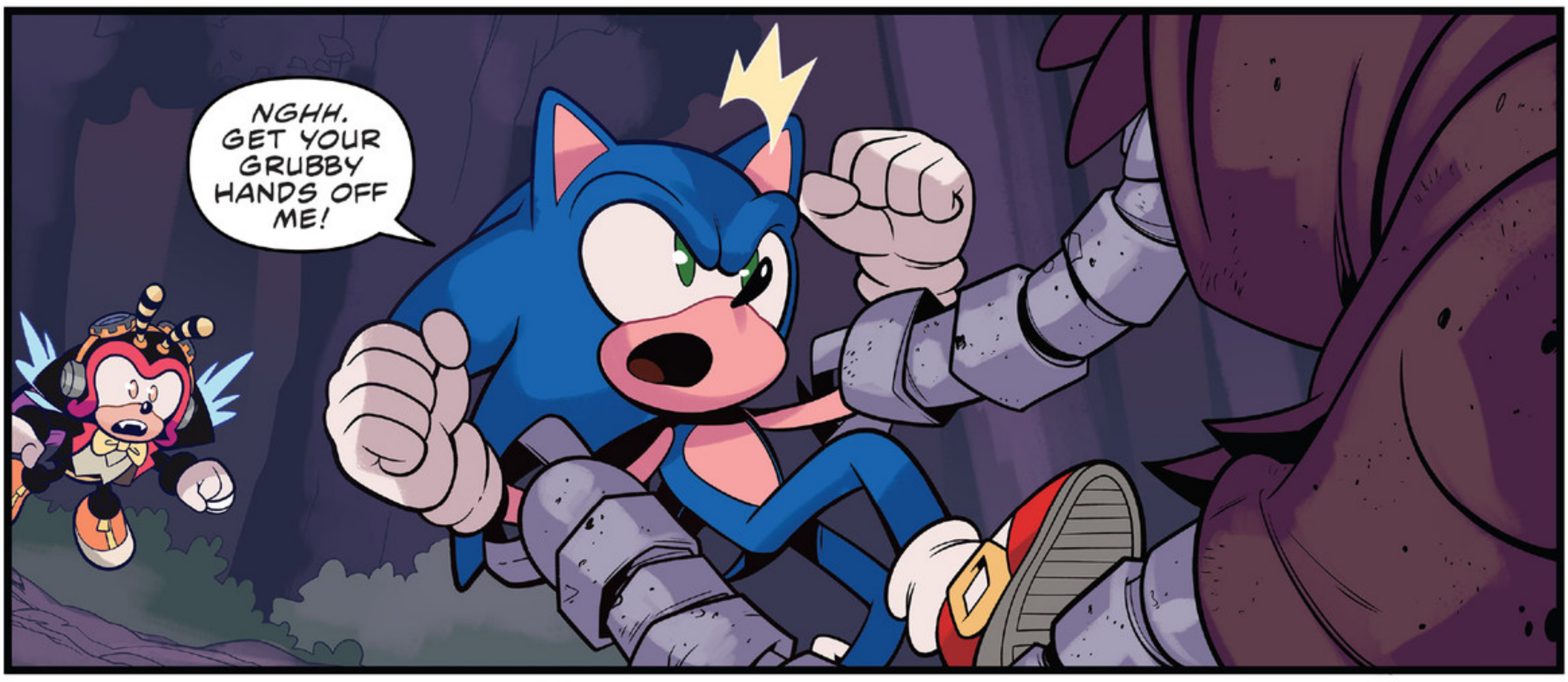
...NOWHERE TO RUN.

NGGH!
SONIC!

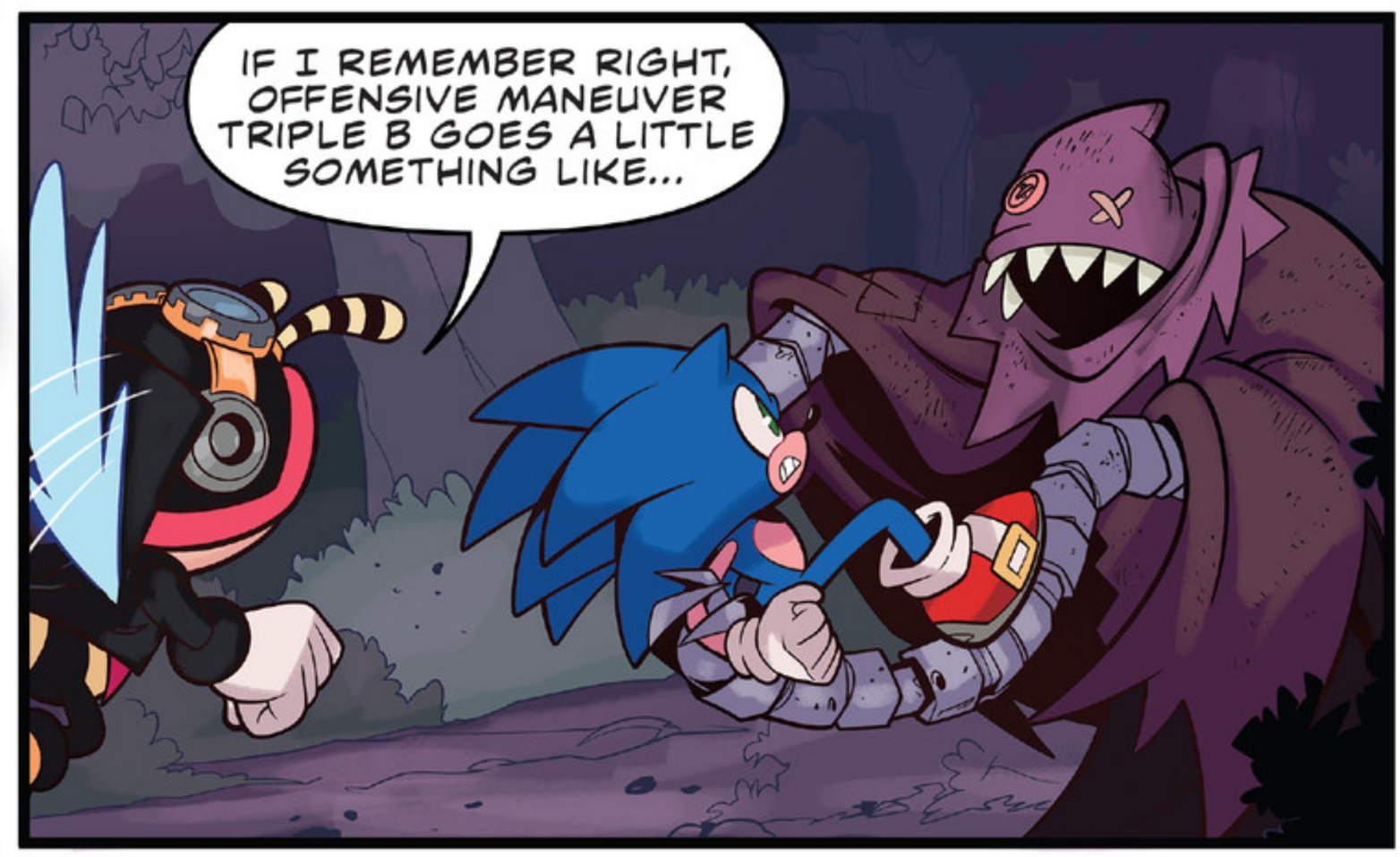
HHHEEELLLP!
THAT'S CHARMY.

FOLLOW ME, BUT KEEP YOUR DISTANCE. YOU GOT THAT?

I'M COMIN', CHARMY!


NGHH. GET YOUR GRUBBY HANDS OFF ME!

CHARMY! OFFENSIVE MANEUVER TRIPLE B!


IF I REMEMBER RIGHT, OFFENSIVE MANEUVER TRIPLE B GOES A LITTLE SOMETHING LIKE...

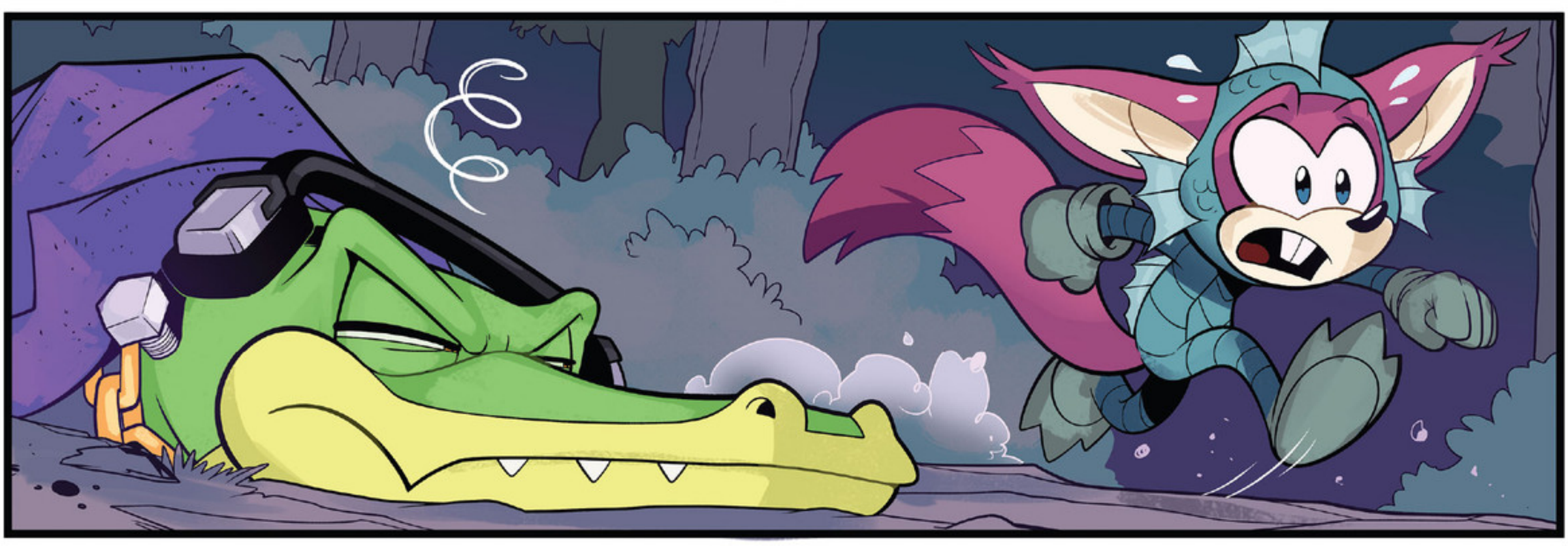
BUZZ! BUZZ!

BOOM!

THINK YOU CAN GET AWAY WITH SCREWIN' WITH HALLOWEEN?
BOY, OH BOY, DID YOU PICK THE WRONG HOLIDAY...
...'CAUSE
I LOVE HALLOWEEN!
NO! STOP!
WHADDYA MEAN, CHARMY?
THIS MONSTER'S CRUISIN' FOR A BRUISIN'!
MONSTER? LOOK! IT'S JUST SOME KIDS.
VECTOR!

THAT WASN'T VERY NICE!
LIKE PLAYING NICE EVER GOT ANYBODY ANYWHERE.

NOWHERE TO RUN.



C'MON. YOU THOUGHT GETTING AWAY WAS GONNA BE *THAT* EASY?

SMELL YA LATER!

YOU'RE NOT BEING VERY NICE TO THOSE OTHER KIDS.
TCH. YOU'RE JUST A KID, TOO. SO WHAT?

CORRECTION. TONIGHT, I AM A COWBOY.
AND I'M GOING YEEHAW MODE.

OOF!

HEEELLLP!
WH-WHAT WAS THAT?

THAT WAS THE SOUND OF A DESPERADO WRANGLIN' UP A CANDY-STEALING VARMINT!

CHARMY... BE READY.

GOTCHA!
HEY!
ALL RIGHT, CHARMY!

NO WAY WE'RE GIVING UP OUR STASH, SO JUST...LET... ME...GO!

NOT A CHANCE!

WAIT, HOLD ON A SECOND. WHAT DO YOU SAY WE SPLIT THE STASH, 30/70 US?

WHAT, ARE YOU KIDDING ME, ROWDY?

NOT YOUR CANDY TO BARTER WITH. THAT'S STOLEN.

WE STOLE IT FAIR AND SQUARE!

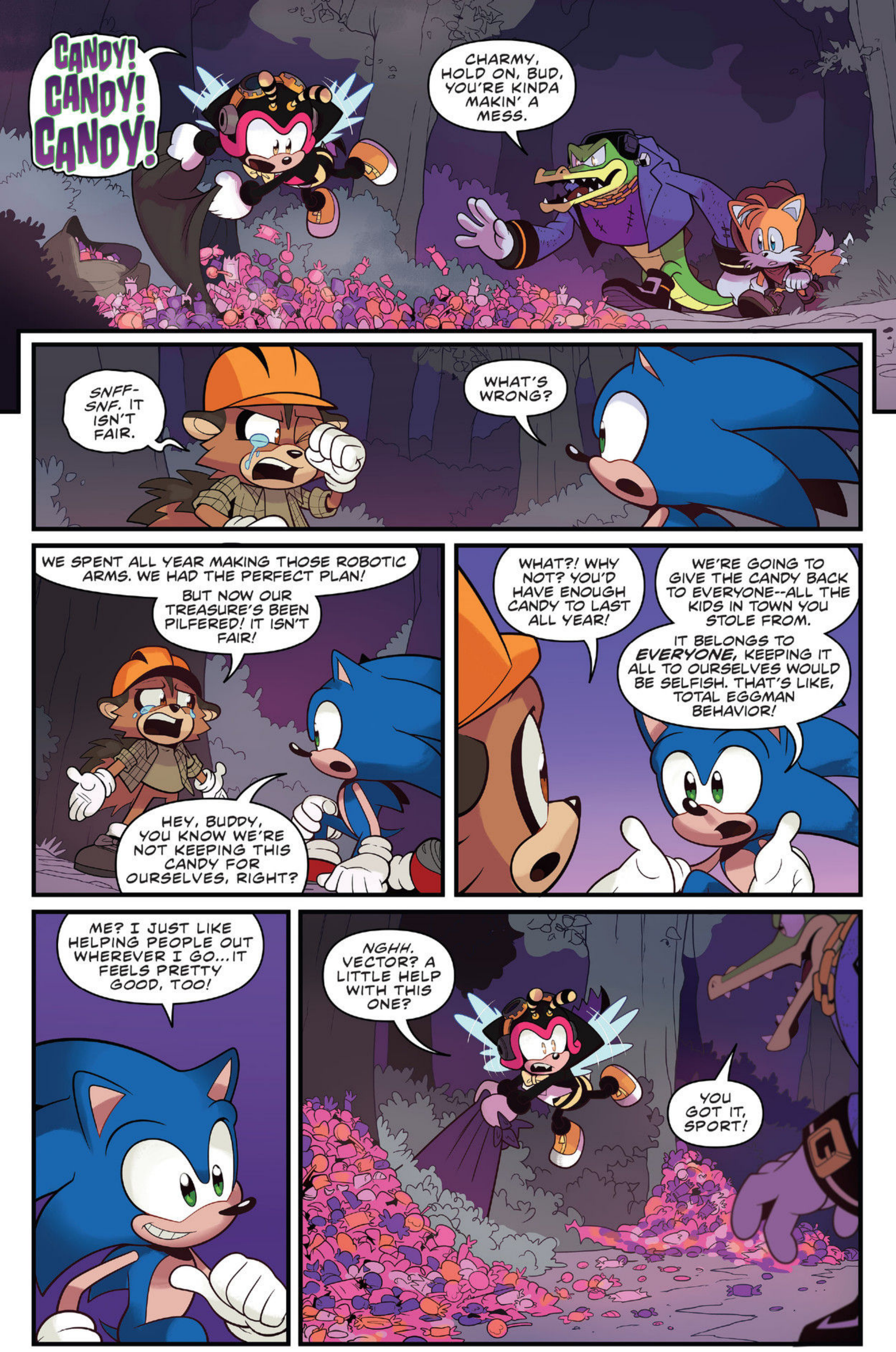
HEY, PIPE DOWN, WILL YA?

WE'RE LIKE THE ROBIN HOODS OF THE DETECTIVE GAME, GET IT?

WE TAKE FROM THE THIEVES AND GIVE CANDY TO THE SUGAR-FREE!

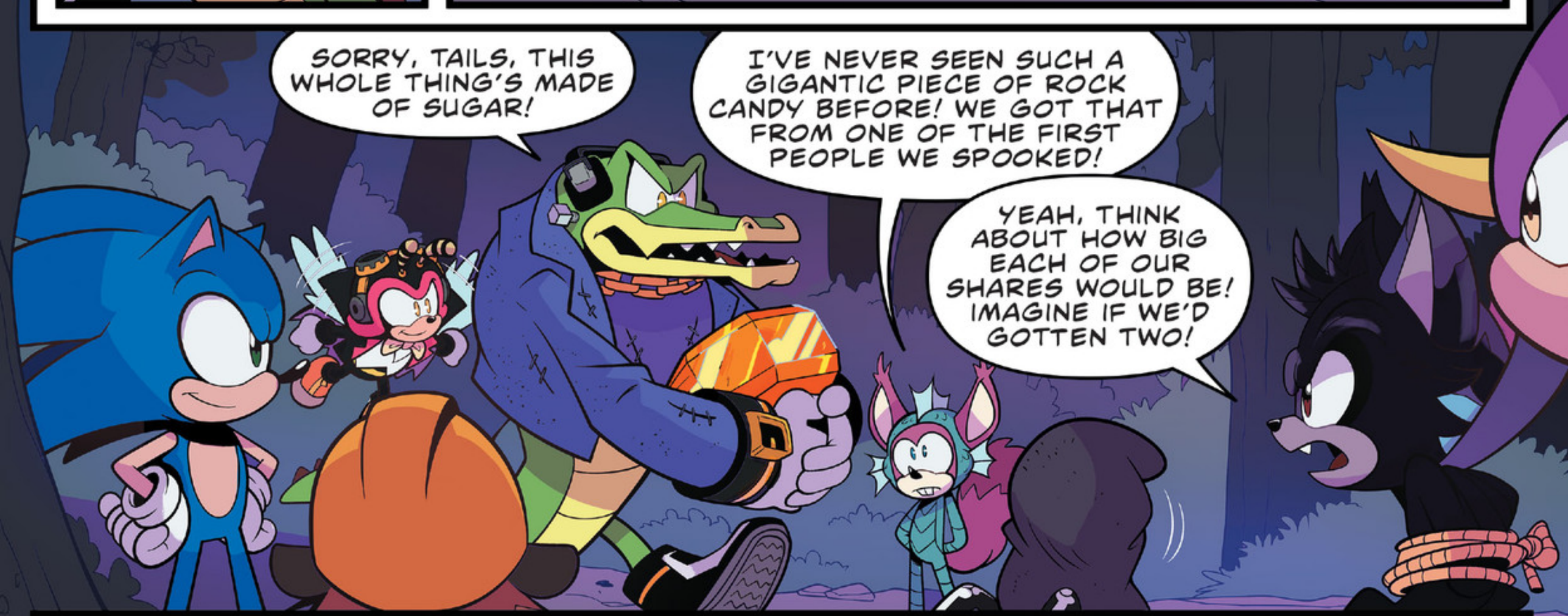
HEY, YOU! GET AWAY FROM THERE!

HEY, GUYS? I THINK I FOUND SOMETHING.


CANDY! CANDY! CANDY!
CHARMY, HOLD ON, BUD, YOU'RE KINDA MAKIN' A MESS.
SNFF-SNF. IT ISN'T FAIR.
WHAT'S WRONG?
WE SPENT ALL YEAR MAKING THOSE ROBOTIC ARMS. WE HAD THE PERFECT PLAN!
BUT NOW OUR TREASURE'S BEEN PILFERED! IT ISN'T FAIR!
HEY, BUDDY, YOU KNOW WE'RE NOT KEEPING THIS CANDY FOR OURSELVES, RIGHT?
WHAT?! WHY NOT? YOU'D HAVE ENOUGH CANDY TO LAST ALL YEAR!
WE'RE GOING TO GIVE THE CANDY BACK TO EVERYONE--ALL THE KIDS IN TOWN YOU STOLE FROM.
IT BELONGS TO EVERYONE, KEEPING IT ALL TO OURSELVES WOULD BE SELFISH. THAT'S LIKE, TOTAL EGGMAN BEHAVIOR!
ME? I JUST LIKE HELPING PEOPLE OUT WHEREVER I GO...IT FEELS PRETTY GOOD, TOO!
NGHH. VECTOR? A LITTLE HELP WITH THIS ONE?
YOU GOT IT, SPORT!

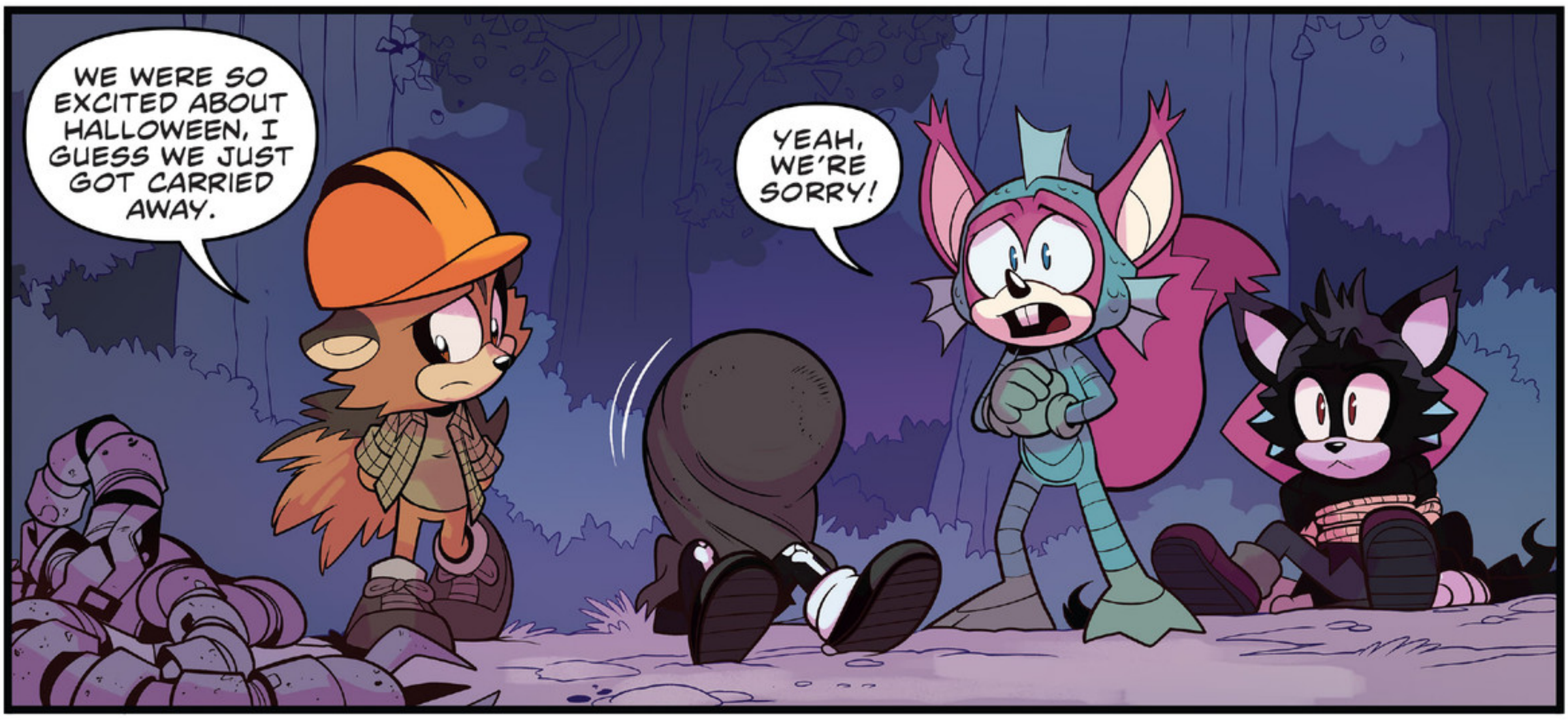
OOF, YOU WEREN'T KIDDING, CHARMY.
THIS ONE'S GOT SOME HEFT!

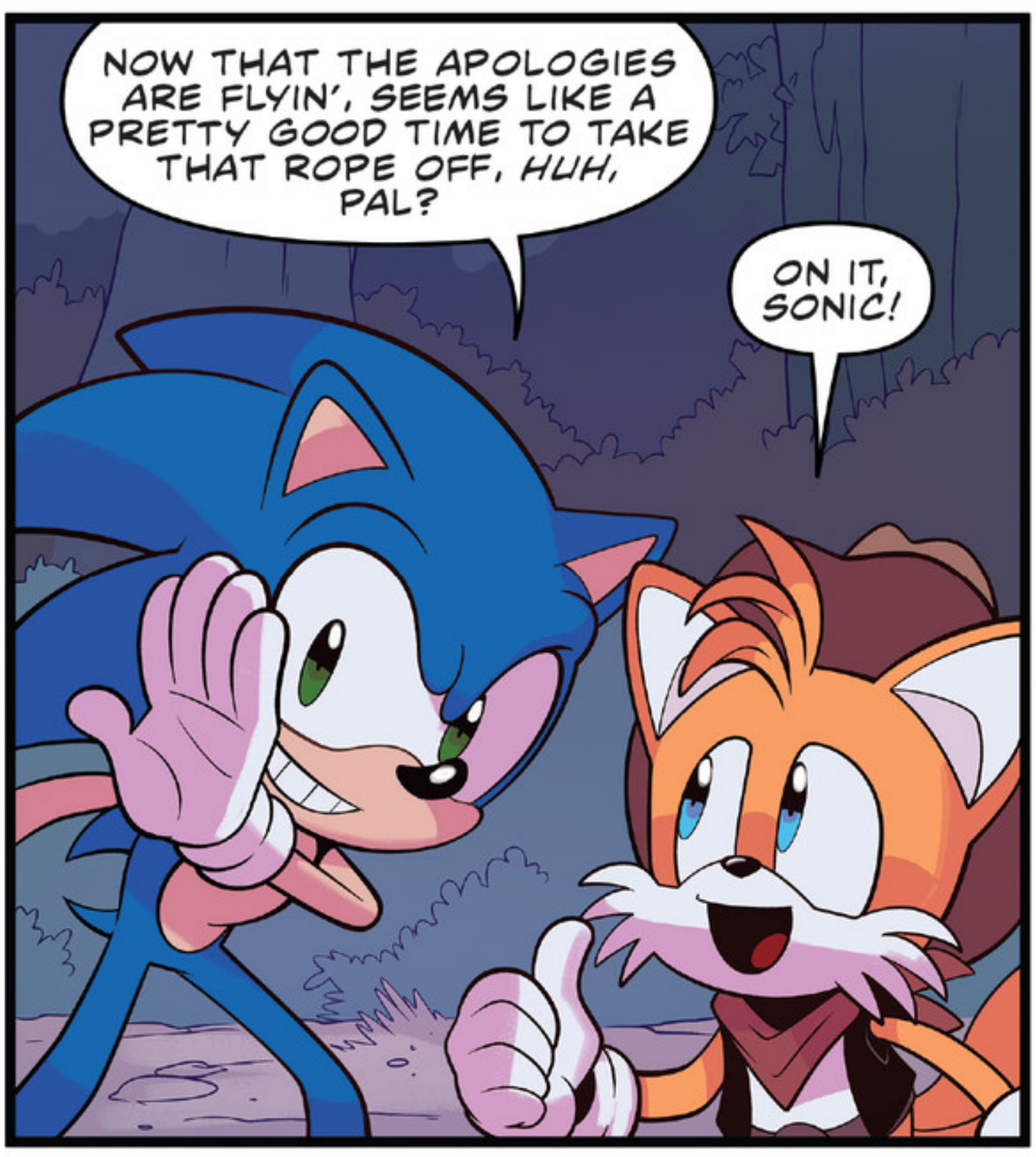
WHOA!
IS THAT... A GEM?


SORRY, TAILS, THIS WHOLE THING'S MADE OF SUGAR!
I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH A GIGANTIC PIECE OF ROCK CANDY BEFORE! WE GOT THAT FROM ONE OF THE FIRST PEOPLE WE SPOOKED!
YEAH, THINK ABOUT HOW BIG EACH OF OUR SHARES WOULD BE! IMAGINE IF WE'D GOTTEN TWO!

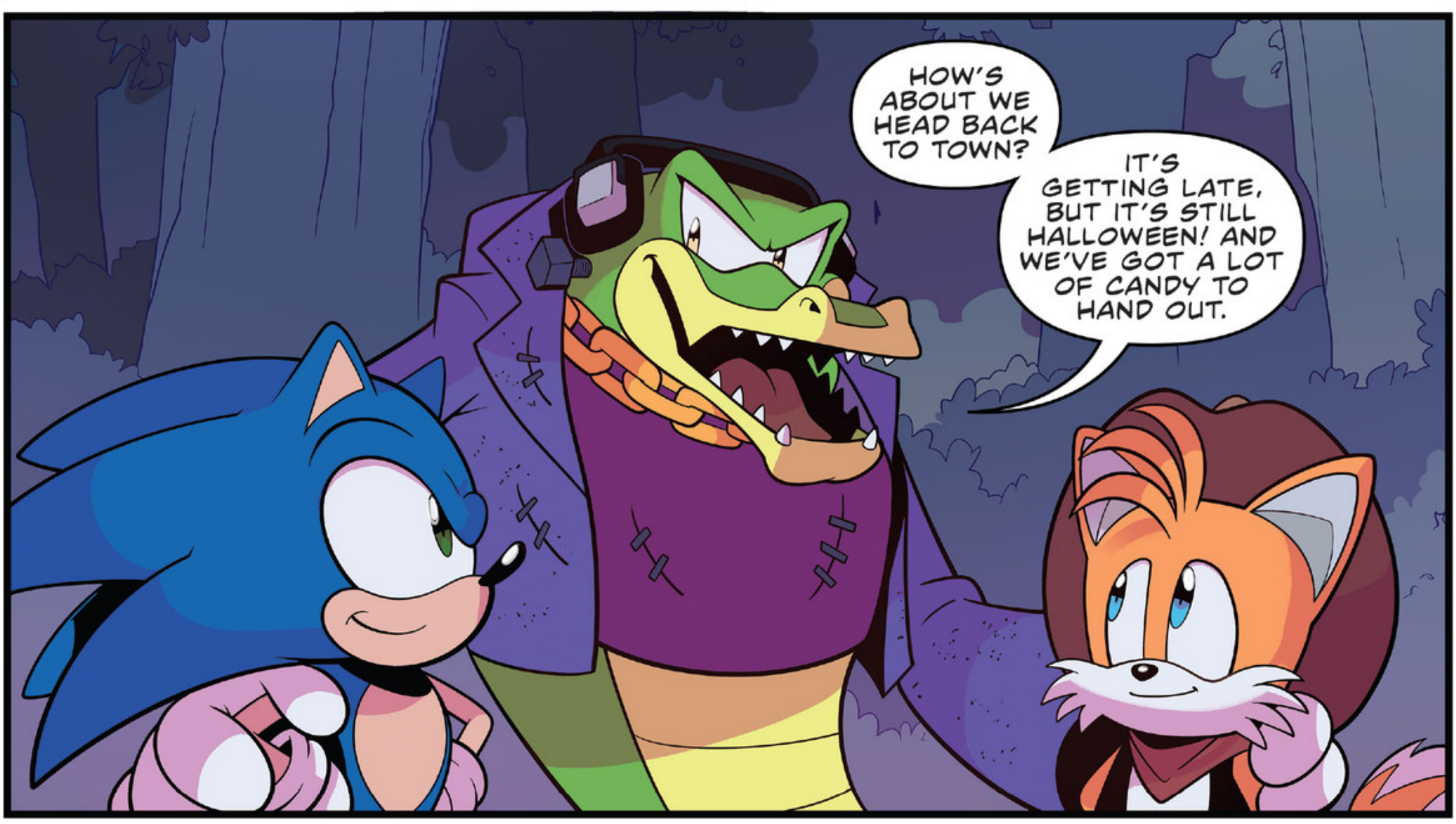
HOW DO YOU THINK THE PERSON WHO YOU STOLE THIS FROM FEELS? MAYBE THEY WERE ON THEIR WAY TO BREAK IT UP FOR TRICK-OR-TREATERS!
YEAH! DON'T BE GREEDY!

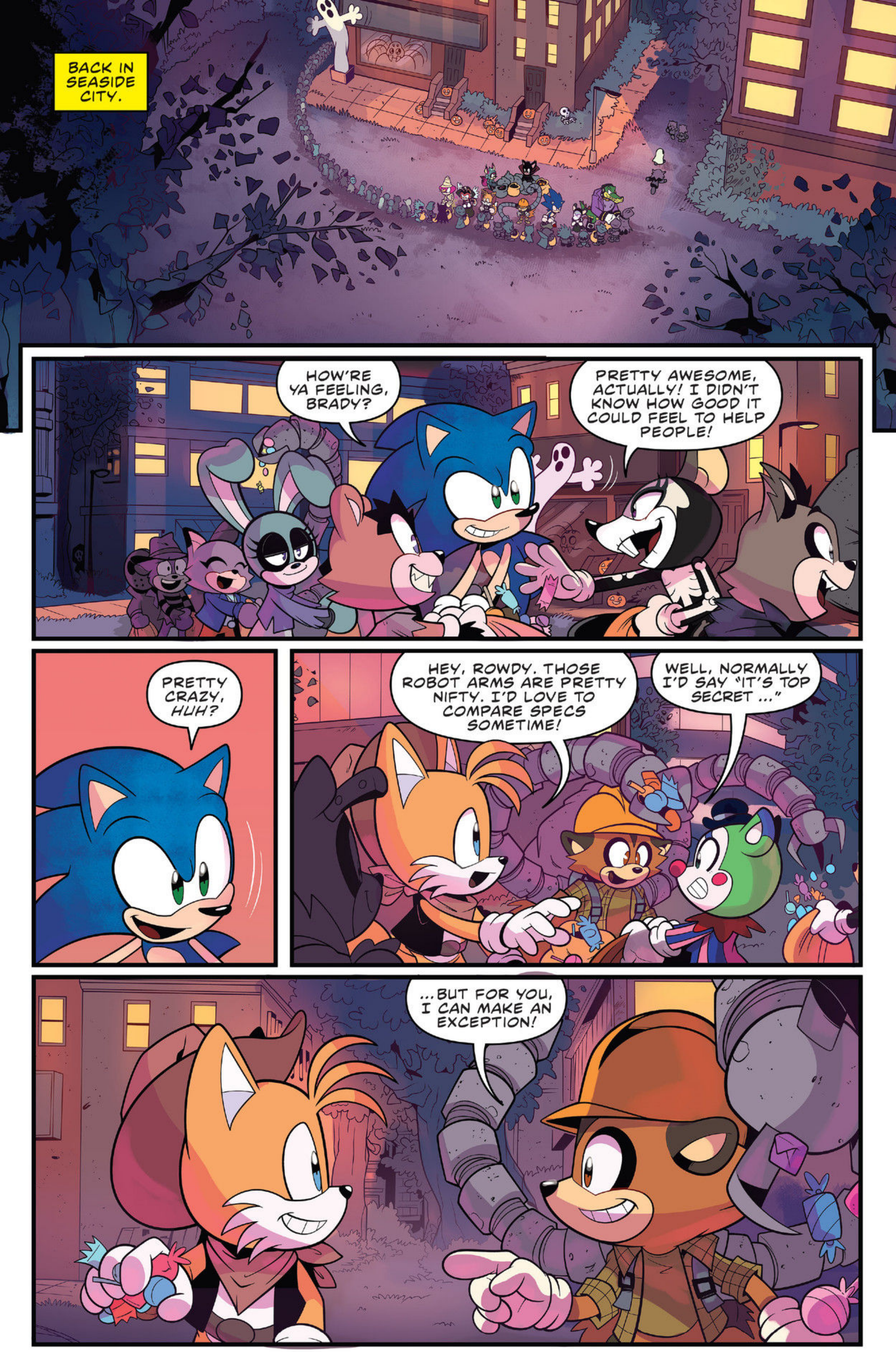
HUH, I GUESS I NEVER THOUGHT OF IT THAT WAY.


WE WERE SO EXCITED ABOUT HALLOWEEN, I GUESS WE JUST GOT CARRIED AWAY.
YEAH, WE'RE SORRY!


NOW THAT THE APOLOGIES ARE FLYIN', SEEMS LIKE A PRETTY GOOD TIME TO TAKE THAT ROPE OFF, HUH, PAL?
ON IT, SONIC!

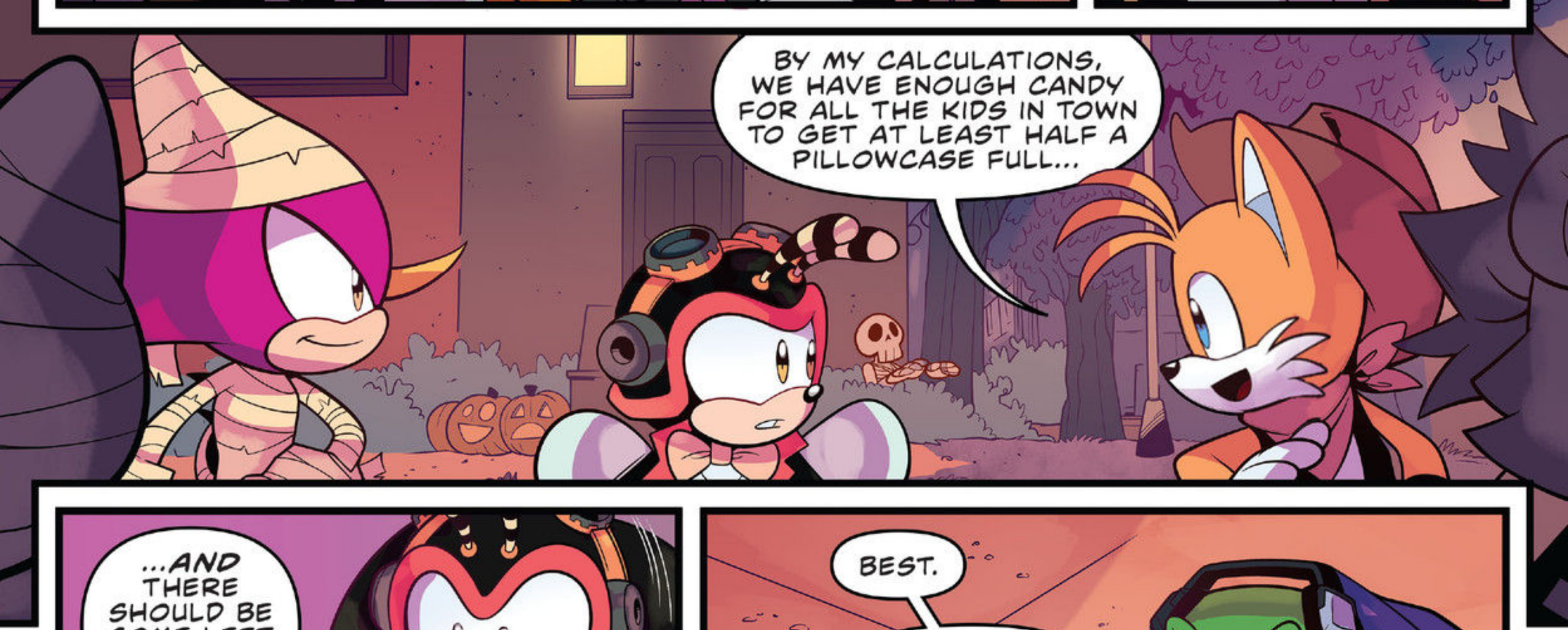
I TOTALLY COULD'VE BUSTED OUT OF THAT ROPE Y'KNOW... BUT THANKS.
NOW I KNOW WHAT CANDY FEELS LIKE.


HOW'S ABOUT WE HEAD BACK TO TOWN?
IT'S GETTING LATE, BUT IT'S STILL HALLOWEEN! AND WE'VE GOT A LOT OF CANDY TO HAND OUT.


BACK IN SEASIDE CITY.
HOW'RE YA FEELING, BRADY?
PRETTY AWESOME, ACTUALLY! I DIDN'T KNOW HOW GOOD IT COULD FEEL TO HELP PEOPLE!
PRETTY CRAZY, HUH?
HEY, ROWDY. THOSE ROBOT ARMS ARE PRETTY NIFTY. I'D LOVE TO COMPARE SPECS SOMETIME!
WELL, NORMALLY I'D SAY "IT'S TOP SECRET ..."
...BUT FOR YOU, I CAN MAKE AN EXCEPTION!

WHAT'S UP, CHARMY?
OH, NOTHING. JUST A LITTLE BUMMED WE DIDN'T GET TO GO TRICK-OR-TREATING.
I'M HAPPY WE WERE ABLE TO HELP ALL THESE KIDS...

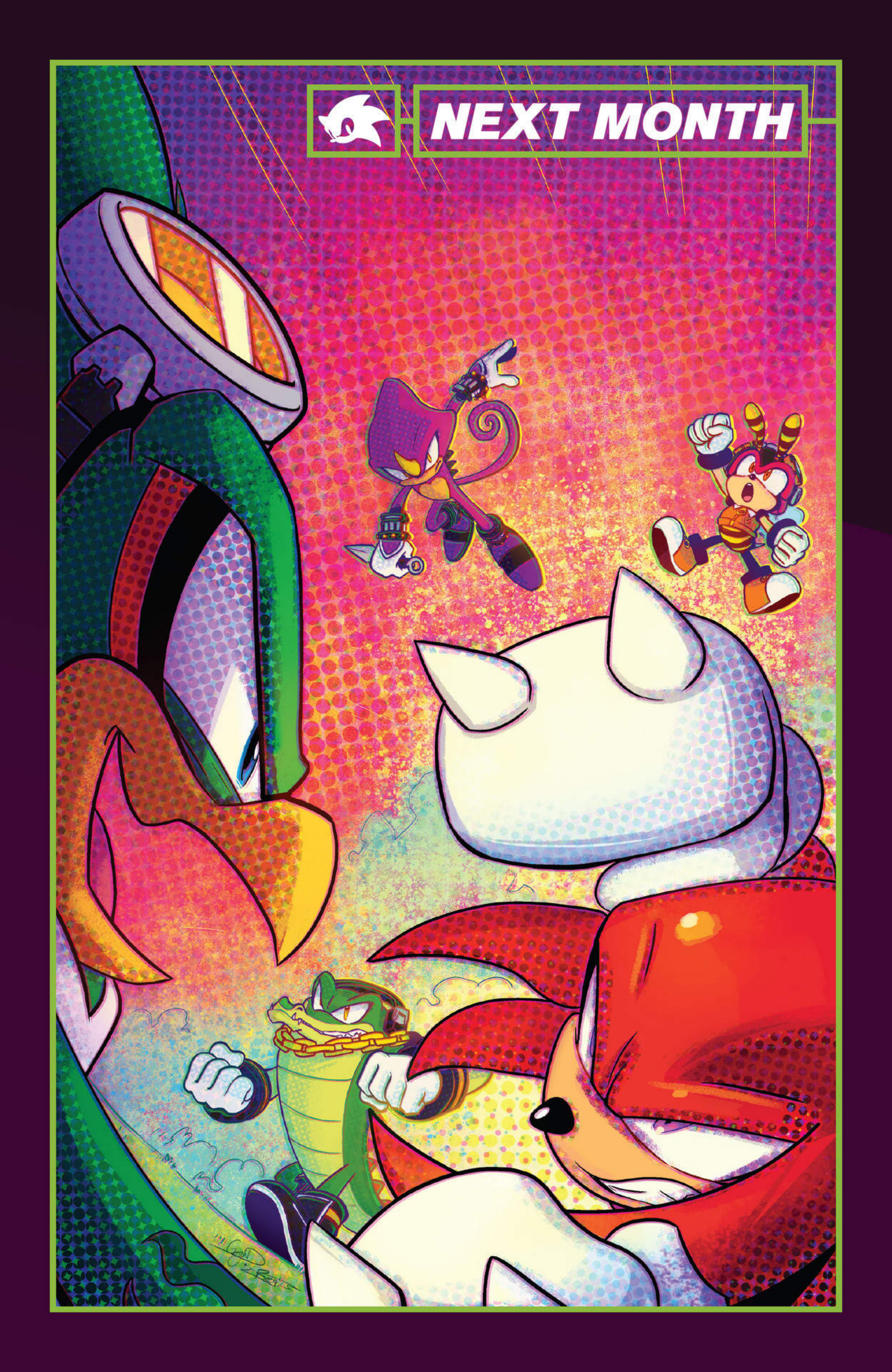
...BUT STILL, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN NICE TO GET SOME CANDY FOR OURSELVES.


BY MY CALCULATIONS, WE HAVE ENOUGH CANDY FOR ALL THE KIDS IN TOWN TO GET AT LEAST HALF A PILLOWCASE FULL...

...AND THERE SHOULD BE SOME LEFT OVER FOR US, TOO.

ALL OF US.

BEST.
HALLOWEEN.
EVER.
HAPPY HALLOWEEN!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